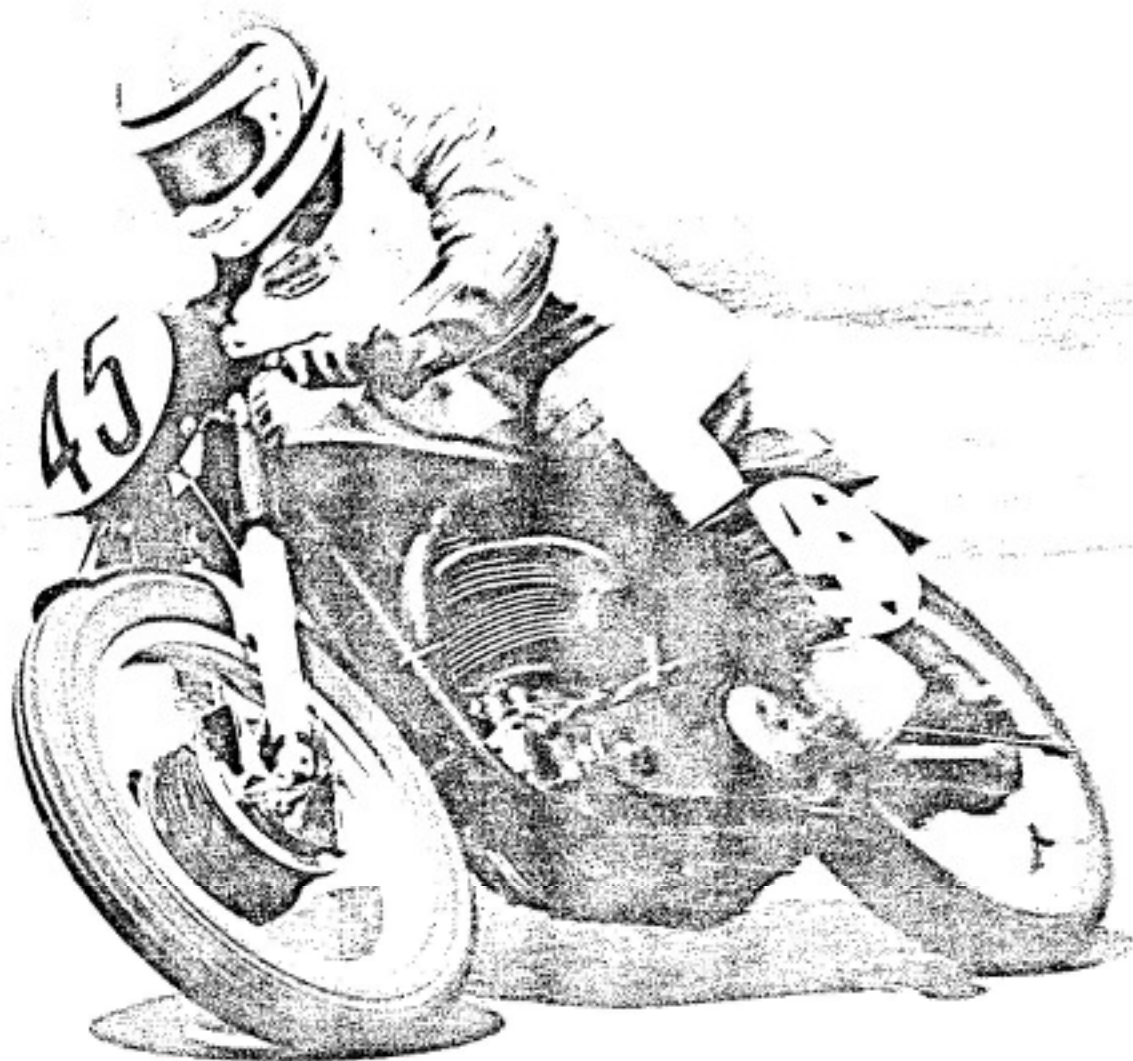


October 1983 Newsletter



Tom Faulds cleans corner 6 at Shannonville aboard Tom McGill's short-stroke Manx Norton. These two gents were co-winners of the President's Award, an annual trophy donated to the VRRRA this year by Phil Mahood for "the most outstanding campaign of a classic racing motorcycle". In presenting the award, Phil praised the extra efforts of those who attempt to run authentic purpose-built GP racing machines in the face of stiff on-track competition from specials builders and scarce (and expensive) parts supplies. He added that the presence of such machines in our events is essential to maintain the credibility and prestige of vintage racing and that the VRRRA should do all it can to incent these efforts. The Manx was acquired earlier this year from Ottawa enthusiast Bob Williams and completely refurbished at the Carlisle, Ontario branch plant of the Norton works. It started its new life at Daytona winning a concourse award and finishing the vintage race after experiencing many teething problems. It, and its long-stroke stablemate, made many appearances in Canada and was first 500 in races at Shubenacadie N.S. and Mosport.

Executive Nomination Meeting

Friday November 16, 8:00 PM

North York Public Library, Black Creek Branch, 2141 Jane St. at Wilson Ave.

All the executive posts listed opposite will be open for nominations. There are other executive posts that these elected officers will appoint as required. However, for the elected posts, the following procedure will apply. It is a repeat of last year's which seemed to work well and be favoured by the members. We should be able to wrap up the whole process by early December.

- 1) All nominations that are seconded and accepted will be placed on a ballot. If there is only one nominee for a given position, the candidate will be declared elected by acclamation.
- 2) For all posts where there is more than one nominee, a mail-in vote from all members will determine the winners.
- 3) All candidates for the position of president must be prepared to deliver a brief talk at the nomination meeting on the directions they see the club taking.
- 4) Candidates for the other positions will also be given the opportunity to speak on their behalf, but this is not essential. They should, however, be present to answer any questions that the members may pose.
- 5) In an extreme circumstance, a potential nominee may delegate someone to accept his or her nomination at the meeting.
- 6) It is assumed that all those who are serious about running will make every reasonable effort to attend.
- 7) Only current members in good standing are eligible to stand for office, vote, or otherwise participate in this election.

International World Of Motorcycles Show

No firm date on this yet, but it is usually held over the New Year Holiday period. Bar Hodgson informs us that the show will be expanding significantly this year and he welcomes us to increase our usual floor space. To get something cooking really means that we should start now. We are looking for a coordinator to come forward who will pull our act together. It has been suggested that we develop a theme such as the history of road racing. This could be presented with a section for each decade - 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's. A bike or two representing each era with a backdrop of posters and a written synopsis would be nice. Organized like this, the task could be subdivided and carried out by several people. Many of us have talked about creating permanent props like other clubs have. All it needs is someone with a creative bent and a bit of time. We should also be prepared to budget a few dollars for this as well rather than scrounging for everything. Even if we cannot put all the pieces together this year, it would be great to get a start in that direction. Volunteers? How about some of you non-racing members? Here's your chance for fame and glory! Call me (Phil) at 416-284-3865.

Dinner Report

Just a short note mainly to thank Barbara Dale for her wonderful effort in putting together our second annual awards banquet. The arrangements were all first class and our hosts at the Legion very accommodating. A crowd of 80 was on hand to hear Ken Morgan's witty indictments. The dancing was terrific. I haven't seen as much energetic shaking since Jim Garrett last got it all out of shape braking for corner 5. Alas, Barbara was unable to witness the results of all her good work. She had to attend a memorial service on the passing of her mother that week. Hope you'll all tell her what a good time we all had so she'll feel a bit better about it anyway.

VRRRA

Elected Executive Officer Duties

President

Overall coordination and management of all club activities and policies. Represent the club membership in negotiations with other clubs, sponsors, the press, race organizers, sanctioning bodies, etc. Insure that the club responds to external queries in a suitable manner. Review all external club correspondence for consistency with club policy. Call and chair meetings of the executive committee to deal with matters as required. To insure that the clubs rules and regulations are interpreted and applied in the spirit intended. To authorize all payments and withdrawals from club funds. To chair general club meetings.

Vice President

To carry out the duties of the president in his or her absence. To be present at all executive meetings so as to be able to carry on club programs in the event that the president is unable to complete the term of office. To assist in carrying out various club duties as required.

Past President

To provide continuity in VRRRA programs during transitions to new executives and presidents. Provide to the president and other executives the benefit of his or her knowledge of affairs as required. Provide consultative input to executive discussions and other efforts as he or she sees fit.

Competition Coordinator

To coordinate the delivery of the racing programs by organizing the VRRRA's events and negotiating VRRRA participation in other club or sanctioned events. Proposing and then implementing event rules and championship series formats. Developing viable financial plans for said programs including, if possible, sponsorships. Developing promotional campaigns for the racing programs to be delivered by the Press/Public Relations Officer. To recruit and manage other club members and executives as required to carry out the competition program. To carry out the all the above in a fully consultative manner with the executive committee.

Technical Committee Chairman

To coordinate the development of VRRRA technical (eligibility) regulations. With the executive committee, recruit a team of technical experts knowledgeable in the various marques and eras of concern in Vintage road racing. To convene meetings of this committee to develop or refine technical regulations as required. To consult the same committee and/or other outside sources for the purpose of ruling on questions of rules interpretation. Insure safety and eligibility scrutineering is carried out at all events as per VRRRA regulations (and the regulations of the race sanctioning body where that authority has been delegated to the VRRRA). Establish an on-going communication between the VRRRA and all other known vintage racing organizers on the subject of eligibility to promote international uniformity and to benefit from the experience of other groups. To promote the VRRRA rules philosophy internationally so that our members will enjoy the best possible chance to compete internationally. Conduct all external correspondence in consultation with other executives

Treasurer

Maintain complete, accurate, and auditable records of all the club's financial transactions. Report to the club on the status of the club's financial position. Carry out the club's banking transactions including deposits and withdrawals. To carry out said transactions only on direct instruction from the President, or in the absence of the President, the Vice-president.