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In our system, at about 11:30 on election night, they just push you off the edge of the cliff and that's it. You might scream on the way down, but you're going to hit the bottom, and you're not going to be in elective office.

On loss to Ronald Reagan in 1984 presidential election; in NY Times, 1987 Walter F. Mondale

Retirement requires the invention of a new hedonism, not a return to the hedonism of youth.

City Aphorisms, Fourteenth Selection, New York (1994). Mason Cooley

It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become a prey to the active. The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he break, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt.

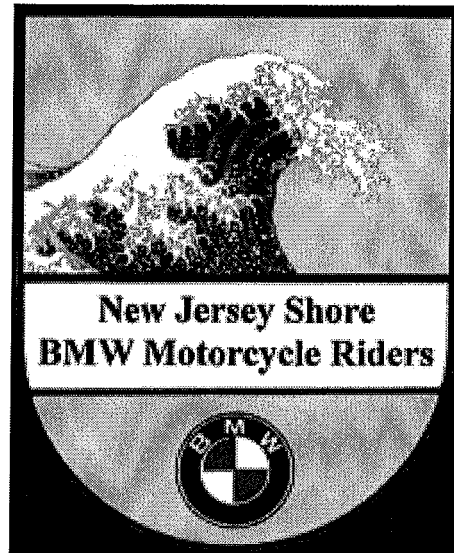
*Speech upon the Right of Election, 1790.
(Speeches. Dublin, 1808.). Often quoted as
"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, John Philpot Curran*

President's Message

I sit to write this newsletter message with some concern for the well being of the NJ Shore Riders.

It would seem there is some apathy growing among our members; it grows like a black mold grows in the deepest darkest cellar. I also wonder if my leadership as President caused this malaise to fester, or have I done the things that make a club bond with a cohesive nature.

Well, all of that is moot, this, my friends is due to the fact that club nominations will be due and presented at



our October meeting. Yes, that's right; this is a chance for all of you who aspire to be at the helm of this great club. It may also be a chance for those of you who want to see changes, to put your plans into effect.

Please conspire against me, nominate and elect leaders that you think will get the job done. In case you have thoughts of placing an incumbent on the ballot; I can say with all honesty, I decline.

If you would like my thoughts on who would be a likely successor, I see at least 40 or so such individuals at every meeting. Don't take a back seat, take a risk, and nominate yourself.

Ride safe
Prez. Dan

What have I missed

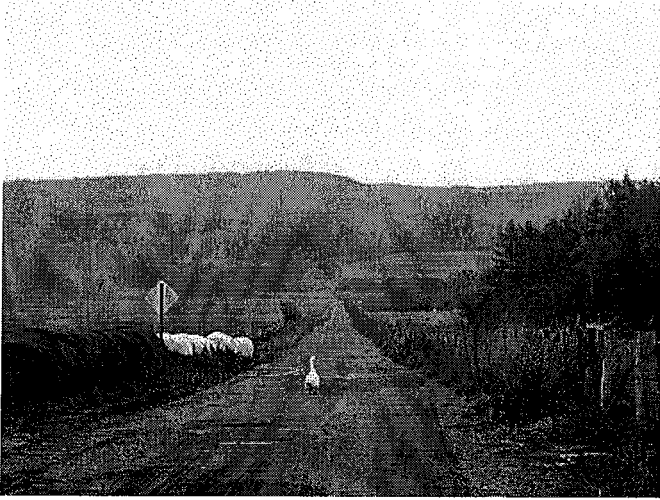
Skip Palmer

This past June my brother Mike, John Welch, and I visited Quebec Province on our way to Labrador. We were very impressed with Quebec City even though we were only there overnight. The old walled city had the feel of Europe with its history, architecture, language, parks, food, and culture.

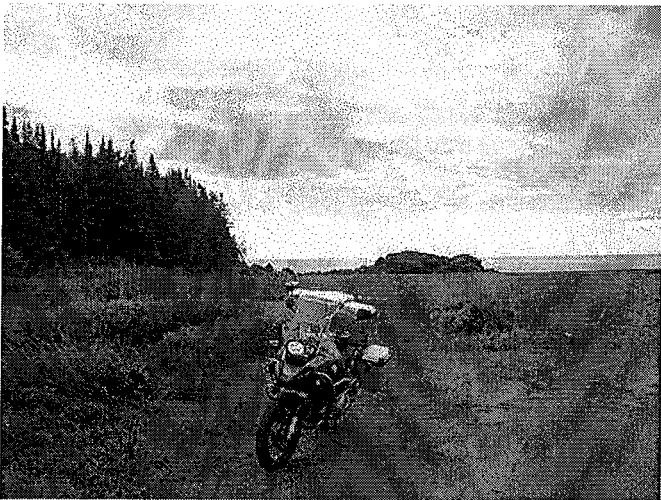
I returned the following month, in the Land Cruiser, with my wife, Susan, and her mother, Lois. We spent a week visiting Montreal, Quebec City, the Laurentides region, the Sagueney Fiord, the Saint Lawrence River, and the Eastern Townships. Our return route brought us home through Vermont for the MOA National Rally.

I have been to the Atlantic and Quebec Provinces six times and there are still some important, remote areas that I have never toured. Last month, I had some time for an extended ride and decided to visit three of these

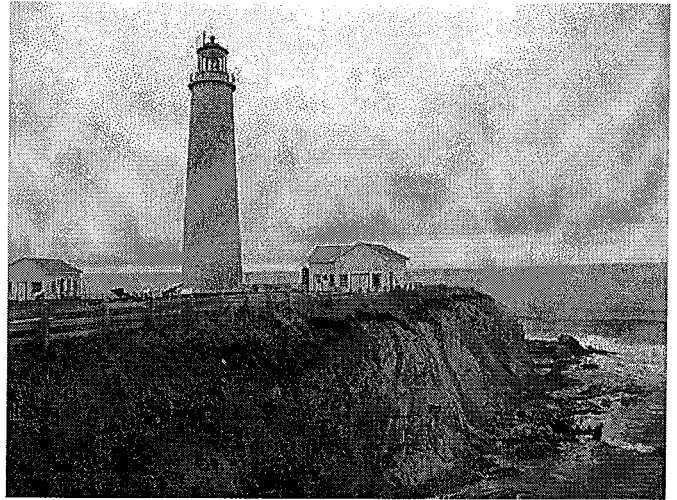
fields many miles long and wide. It is excavated to depths as deep as ten feet. I visited Shippagan, Ile Lamèque, and Miscou Island. After thirteen hours and six hundred miles of riding I arrived in the town of Miramichi for the night. I was too tired to even have dinner.



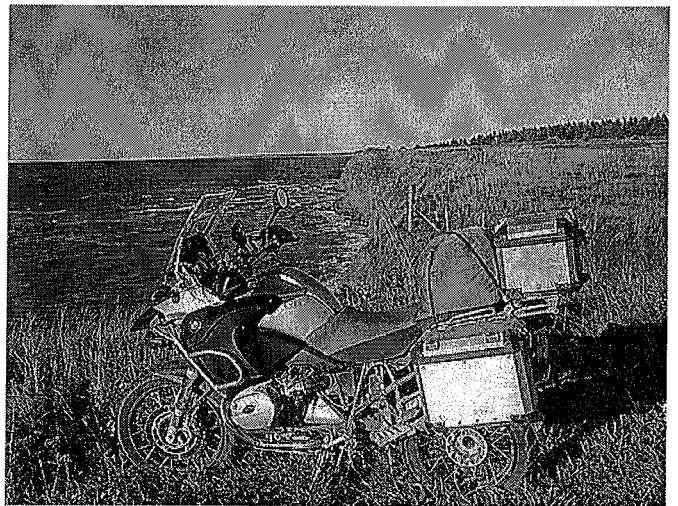
Friday morning, I followed the coastal roads of New Brunswick south to Confederation Bridge (8 miles) across Northumberland Strait to Prince Edward Island. Out of all the places I have traveled in North America, PEI ranks as one of my top five favorites. The island is slightly less than one hundred miles long and is located in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence.



I spent two nights in Cavendish near the Malpeque Bay (oyster and mussel farms) and Rustico Inlet (lobster fleet). I rode to North Cape and West Point one day then PEI National Park and Charlottetown, the capital, (Moo's Ice Cream Stand) the next. Each day, I devoured dozens of oysters and mussels for lunch and then lobsters and oysters for dinner. Life is very good!



Sunday morning, I decided to start home when the weather became very "unsettled": heavy rain and fog! I rode six hundred and fifty miles to Cape Nedick, ME on the New Hampshire border. I usually try to stop at the cape because they have a great lobster pound and restaurant there.



Monday, I arrived home after navigating 2,964 miles, eating eight dozen oysters, pounds of mussels and steamers, ten lobsters, and taking 243 pictures, but who's counting?

Editors Note: Skip and I passed like ships in the night.

While he was going clockwise from Quebec to PEI to Nova Scotia, SWMBO and I were going counterclockwise. Skip stopped at the hotel we were staying at on PEI (Dalvay by the Sea) in the national park on Saturday. We were out sightseeing on Saturday – and I remember passing a GS loaded up for touring and commenting to Eileen "Wonder who that is?"

Small world – eh? (And the seafood alone is a good reason to go to Nova Scotia and PEI.)



What is Mike doing here? Where is here? Ask him at the meeting! An excuse for a ride.

Last Chance Rally, Sept. 15-17th

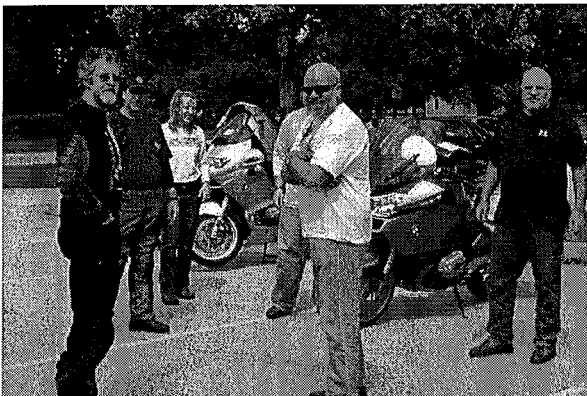
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The Last Chance Rally, was it really 24 carrots?

I started to prepare for New Swedens Last Chance Rally with verve and swagger. The packing was completed; my pillion for the ride down was my friend and sometimes riding companion, Gigi, Aka- Mrs. Prez Dan. We had sent Colin packing for the weekend, the dog also was shipped out for care and feeding.

The only thing that could have complicated the event was the torrid of rain that was cast down from the heavens. As I stared out of my garage, the decision was made to pack up the pickup and head to the land down under (Mays Landing). To my dismay, and after a thoughtful reminder from the S/O, to take the bike anyway, the Sun broke through the clouds somewhere around GSP exit 50 ish. I was too disturbed by this sudden change to really notice.

Well to make a short story, we arrived, we registered, and we ate Pete's chili. Then since I had left the keys to my saddle bags with my trusty steed, Gigi and I retraced our route back to Oakhurst, repacked the bike, donned our raingear and did what should have done earlier that day, rode to the rally.



On the second day, plans were made to join up with Tom and Linda Kozak, John Aubin, Art and Ethan Goldberg and John from Delaware, to explore the counties of southern NJ.



To my surprise, and even though it is flat, the scenery was enjoyable; we even stopped for lunch at Fort Mott. This relic of the past was built in the 1870s, and rebuilt in the 1890s to protect Jersey from the Spaniards. After a walking tour and picnic lunch, we returned to the Last Chance for a sumptuous meal, my compliments to New Sweden for a Rally that lived up to its name, it was indeed 24 carrots!



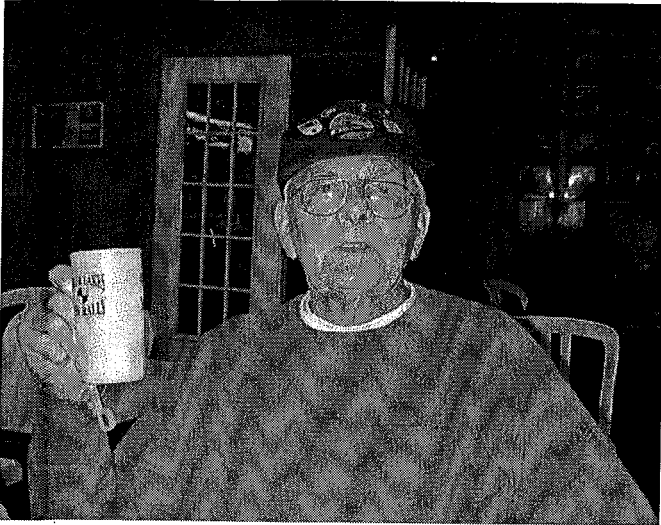
Finally Gigi and I coursed through the center of Southern Jersey with a stop at the hot dog lady in Chatsworth for a drink and a dog.

A beautiful sunny ride to end an enjoyable weekend ride, I just glad my pillion had the good sense to remind me it was a motorcycle rally!

The 2nd Annual Black-Diamond Rally, or – the 1st Annual Parasite Rally, Sept. 29th – Oct. 1st.

Dan Thompson

Or should it be known as, The you better buy earplugs, if you want to sleep, or Hey guys, don't drink so much right before bedtime, or learn to walk more quietly on your way to the head; or, I rather face the rain and the deer in the middle of the night rather than listen to the



Karl Kretchmer of Skylands joined us in our club cabin. We offered him a free membership if he'd take the Presidents job this next year – but he said "Been there done that – nope.." 80 or so and no grass growing under Karl.



Pete Lesko of New Sweden joined us in our cabin also. He wouldn't take the President's job either!
Editor

Nominations – October Meeting

Nominations for officer positions of our club will be entertained at our October meeting. If you don't attend you stand the risk of being nominated for some position. Please come out and tell us who you'd like for officers – or stand up and offer your help!

Dues are Due!

It's that time of year again! You'll find the membership renewal/application attached to the newsletter. Please fill this out and either mail it to Carl at the address given, or bring it to the meeting this month!

Thanks for your prompt attention to this!



HotDog Run – Sept 6th

Upcoming Rides and Events

Skip Palmer

The following rides and events are sponsored by the AMA or other organizations and are not NJSBMWR's sponsored. Please feel free to personally arrange rides with your friends and attend.

- Oct. 2nd 7 PM ~ Skylands Monthly Meeting ~ The Warrenside Tavern, Rt. #173, Bloomsbury, NJ
- Oct. 7th Chincoteague, VA Oyster Festival
- Oct. 11th 7 PM ~ Monthly meeting at Schneider's Restaurant, Main St., Avon NJ
- Oct. 22nd 11 AM ~ Annual BMW Clubs Rumble at Sky Manor Airport
- Oct. 25th 7 PM ~ New Sweden BMW Riders Monthly Meeting ~ Casa Carollo, Rt. #73
- Oct. 29th 11 AM ~ AMA Polar Bear Ride at Cape May VFW
- Nov. 5th 11 AM ~ AMA Polar Bear Ride at Fisherman's Wharf, Lewes, DE
- Nov. 6th 7 PM ~ Skylands Monthly Meeting ~ The Warrenside Tavern, Rt. #173, Bloomsbury, NJ
- Nov. 8th 7 PM ~ Monthly meeting at Schneider's Restaurant, Main St., Avon NJ
- Nov. 10th 12th 10 AM ~ Waterfowl Festival, Easton, MD
- Nov. 11th 10 AM ~ Oyster Festival at Saint Michaels, MD

FOR SALE

Trailer-Condo Doc Spader has put his current trailer condo up for sale. Apparently it's becoming too small for him since he'd retired and he's looking for a new one. He asked to have something in the newsletter – so here it is. Contact him at: harlee tom <harleetom@yahoo.com>

1999 K1200LT, Basalt Gray, 44K miles, all service up to date, fresh tires, everything works, many extras, looks and runs very very good. \$8,200 obo. Harold Gantz, 856-234-4240, hgantz@magpage.com