



POLKA DOTS

MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Established 1954



HISTORY

The Legend Begins: At sunset on a hot June day in '54, a mob of muddy riders leaned their steaming BIKES against the Levee slopes. They collapsed down on their own tracks to Rest, Laugh, and Lie. When the "BULL" had all been passed out, the conversation swung to real RACING'.

They were all feeling ready and eager to try-on some of the thirty field-meets, Scrambles and Enduros scheduled in the Valley that year.

Getting to the races, getting the Racing done, and gettin' home (with any success), without HELP was a hard business.

Each rider really needed the help and support, and even the drive of the others to really make it.

They began to understand, that as each rider could count on the help of several others, their combined effort could "outnumber" their enemies.

As dusk forced them back onto their machines to race the dark back to the garages, they vowed that: since there was not a club to JOIN, They would be one.

Within the next few days, colors were chosen, charter was sent for, Jerseys were being stitched-up and helmets were being borrowed.

"THE POLKA DOTS Competition MOTORCYCLE CLUB" was LAUNCHED.

Over the years, the CLUB has participated in and promoted a great number of competitive motorcycle events. In order to bring more motorcycle enthusiasts together to promote and preserve the sport of motorcycling, the CLUB enacted major changes in the by-laws in December 1987. These changes allowed non-racers to join the CLUB.

FOUNDING MEMBERS

Ron Adams
Jim Hackley
Gabe Peterson
Dan Sullivan

Ray Ayers
Don Hearth
Gordon Septinelli
Walt Vaughan

Les Dunning
LeRoy McDonald
John Smith
George Woodhouse

Gene Green
Paul Minor
Jim Stowe

PAST PRESIDENTS

1954/55	DON HEARTH	1991	BRET ECKERT
1955/56	DON HEARTH/ LES DUNNING/ BILL STRANGE/ JIM STOWE	1992	BILL FAIN
1956/57	GORDON SEPTINELLI	1993	BILL FAIN
1957/58	JOE KREMER	1994	RON HESS
1958/59	RED CADWELL	1995	RON HESS
1959/60	KEITH MOORE	1996	BILL BUFFINGTON
1960/61	AL BENNETT	1997	DWAYNE NYSTROM
1961/62	DON LINK	1998	DAVE DEBOLD
1962/63	DOUG HARBEY	1999	MIKE PACE
1963/64	JIM GARNER	2000	MIKE PACE
1964/65	AL BENNETT	2001	RON HESS
1965/66	RED CADWELL	2002	CHUCK SHIPMAN
1966/67	GLEN CLINTON	2003	MARK WELDY
1967/68	GLEN SMITH	2004	DAN WALLING
1969	BEN ALLEY	2005	DAN WALLING
1970	JIM TANNER	2006	BRET ECKERT
1971	CHUCK SHIPMAN	2007	BRET ECKERT
1972	VERN WELDY	2008	BRET ECKERT
1973	DICK PHILLIPS	2009	
1974	CLIFF JONES		
1975	JOHN CARPENTER		
1976	JOE PARDEE		
1977	FRANK SHOWERS		
1978	BRAD TEEGARDEN		
1979	ART McDADE		
1980	JACK COULOMBE		
1981	DENNIS HAUSMANN		
1982	DOUG DOTTERY		
1983	LARRY HARTNETT		
1984	ALAN WATERS		
1985	RORY DAVIS		
1986	ALAN WATERS		
1987	BOB AUSTIN		
1988	CHUCK SHIPMAN		
1990	CHUCK SHIPMAN		

IN MEMORIAM

GORDON SEPTINELLI 7X
Died In The Service Of His Club
March 1969

LEROY McDONALD
May 1986

GEORGE WOODHOUSE
September 1988

DEREK WRIGHT
June 1994

JIM HACKLEY
May 1997

BEN ALLEY
January 1998

DON LINK 4X
July 2002

GABE PETERSON
April 2003

LES DUNNING
May 2003

GARY BARRETT
November 2004

AL WATERS
October 2006

ROBIN DE BOLD 19X
February 1972

KEITH MOORE
May 1988

GLEN CLINTON
April 1994

JIM Q. STOWE
July 1994

ELMER GRAVES
November 1997

DENNIS HAUSMANN 9X
November 1998

WALT VAUGHAN
October 2002

PAUL KNUDSEN
April 2003

JOHN SMITH
October 2004

DAN SULLIVAN
July 2005

JIM GARNER
July 2006

ART MIES
June 2007

RETIREED MEMBERS

ADAMS, Ron
Charter Member

AUSTIN, Robert James, Jr. 35x
Joined: 1981
Retired: 1997
Re-Joined: 1999
Re-Retired: December, 2003

BALDWIN, Les

BALL, Harold
Joined: November 15, 1955

BARNES, Greg
Retired: 1989

BENNETT, Alvin
Joined: January, 1956

CADWELL, Gail "Red" 33x
Joined: October, 1954

CAMPBELL, Bill
Joined: 1967

CARPENTER, John
Joined: December 12, 1972

CLINTON, Richard
Joined: March 28, 1972

COULOMBE, Jack
Joined: March 17, 1967

CUNNINGHAM, Dave
Joined: February, 1960

DAVIS, Rory R 30x

FORD, Bill 49x
Joined: 1989

GOULART, Ed
Joined: July 21, 1959

HARBEY, Doug

HARPER, Ken
Joined: March 13, 1962

HARTNETT, Larry 23x

HERNANDEZ, Ken 5x
Joined: December 30, 1986
Retired: December 21, 1999
Rejoined: January 29, 2002
Re-Retired: January 6, 2004

HESS, Ron 3x
Joined: 1991

HILL, Pat 17x
Joined: 1991
Retired: April 27, 1999

HORN, Harvey
Joined: January 5, 1960

HORN, Lester
Joined: January 5, 1960

JONES, Cliff
Joined: February 15, 1972

KEEPING, Ron 20x
Joined: March 28, 1972

KIMBRIEL, Joe 24x
Retired: May 5, 1999

KREMER, Joe
Joined: October, 1954

LANGSETH, Jerry
Joined: November 11, 1965

McDADE, Art 43x
Joined: April 9, 1974

RETIREED MEMBERS

McGRATH, Bill

Joined: April 10, 1956

MOORE, Ernie

Joined: August, 1968

MOORE, Stan

Joined: May 21, 1963

NYSTROM, Dwayne 8x

Joined: September, 1989

Retired: December, 2005

PACE, Mike 47x

Joined: October 29, 1974

Retired: December 28, 2004

PARDEE, Neil (Joe)

Joined: March 6, 1956

PHILLIPS, Dick 32x

Joined: December 26, 1967

RUDI, Iver

Joined: April 26, 1983

RUGGLES, Rod 18x

Joined: March, 1995

Retired: March, 2004

RUTH, Alan

Joined: 1977

Re-Joined: February 9, 1999

Re-Retired: November, 2000

RUTH, Bob

Joined: August 7, 1973

SHIPMAN Chuck 37x

Joined: February 27, 1968

Retired: March 1, 2005 – **37 years!**

SHOWERS, Frank 40x

Joined: June 14, 1966

SMALL, Brian

Retired: November, 1997

SPIVA, Jack

Joined: 1965

URIE, Richard

Joined: February 13, 1968

WALLING, Dan 58x

Joined 1988

Rejoined 2002

Re-retired 2007

WELDY, Mark 6x

Joined: September, 1989

Retired: December 28, 2004

WELDY, Vern 60x

Joined: June 20, 1967

Retired: June 6, 2006 – **39 Years!**

**THE GORDON SEPTINELLI 7X
MEMORIAL TROPHY**

This trophy is awarded annually to the POLKA DOT, active or retired, who has done the most for the CLUB. The winner is determined by secret ballot and is not announced until the Annual Banquet. Recipients of this "POLKA DOT of the Year" honor are:

(The year listed is for the preceding year of exemplary service, in contrast to 1X and Activity Trophies.)

1969.....RED CADWELL	2001....STEVE PRATT
1970.....GLEN CLINTON	2002....RON HESS
1971.....DON LINK	2003....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1972.....DOUG HARBEY	2004....WAYNE HALOZAN
1973.....DOUG HARBEY	2005....BRET ECKERT
1974....."HACK" HACKLEY	2006....DAN WALLING
1975.....DOUG HARBEY	2007....BRET ECKERT
1976.....JOHN CARPENTER	2008....???
1977.....JOE PARDEE	
1978.....BRAD TEEGARDEN	
1979.....ART McDADE	
1980.....FRANK SHOWERS	
1981.....FRANK SHOWERS	
1982.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	
1983.....JOE KIMBRIEL	
1984.....ALAN WATERS	
1985.....GREG BARNES	
1986.....BILL CHISHOLM	
1987.....BILL CHISHOLM	
1988.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	
1989.....DAN WALLING	
1990.....BRET ECKERT	
1991.....IVER RUDI	
1992.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	
1993.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	
1994.....RON HESS	
1995.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	
1996.....RON HESS	
1997.....BILL BUFFINGTON	
1998.....JOE KIMBRIEL	
1999.....JOE KIMBRIEL	
2000....MIKE PACE	

THE ACTIVITY TROPHY

This trophy is awarded each year, at the Annual Banquet, to the POLKA DOT who has accumulated the most participation points during the preceding year. Points are awarded for rides, work parties, and meeting attendance. Winners of this trophy have been:

1975.....JACK COULOMBE
1976.....JOHN CARPENTER
1977.....MIKE McDONALD
1978.....ART McDADE
1979.....ART McDADE
1980.....LARRY HARTNETT
1981.....ART McDADE
1982.....ART McDADE
1983.....JESS GALLO
1984.....JESS GALLO
1985.....ALAN WATERS
1986.....BOB AUSTIN
1987.....BOB AUSTIN
1988.....BOB AUSTIN
1989.....BOB AUSTIN
1990.....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1991.....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1992.....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1993.....RON HESS
1994.....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1995.....CHUCK SHIPMAN
1996.....BILL BUFFINGTON
1997.....BILL BUFFINGTON
1998.....BILL BUFFINGTON & DAVE DE BOLD
1999....RON HESS
2000....CHUCK SHIPMAN
2001....BILL BUFFINGTON
2002....BILL BUFFINGTON
2003....BILL BUFFINGTON
2004....BRET ECKERT
2005....BRET ECKERT
2006....WAYNE HALOZAN
2007....CURT BACKHAUS & WAYNE HALOZAN
2008....???

DOOR BELL DERBY

The winners of the CLUB's annual New Year's Day event for POLKA DOTS are shown below. This event is traditionally a Hare and Hound race, although it has also been a Hare Scrambles and a Moto-Cross.

YEAR	OPEN	250cc	125/200cc
1955	PETE RUPE	No Entries	No Entries
1956	J. JORGENSON	No Entries	No Entries
1957	ELMER GRAVES	No Entries	No Entries
1958	ELMER GRAVES	No Entries	No Entries
1959	ELMER GRAVES	H. HERGENROEDER	No Entries
1960	HAROLD BALL	LES HORN	No Entries
1961	KEITH MOORE	LES HORN	No Entries
1962	KEITH MOORE	LES HORN	No Entries
1963	LYNN PETERS	D. CUNNINGHAM	No Entries
1964	LES HORN	L. MOORE	No Entries
1965	RED CADWELL	GLEN SMITH	No Entries
1966	GLEN CLINTON	KEN GERARD	No Entries
1967	DON LINK	KEN HARPER	No Entries
1968	RED CADWELL	GLEN SMITH	No Entries
1969	RED CADWELL	VERN WELDY	No Entries
1970	DON LINK	FRANK SHOWERS	ELMER GRIFFEN
1971	GLEN CLINTON	FRANK SHOWERS	HAL NUNN
1972	GLEN CLINTON	*VERN WELDY	M. WILLIAMSON
1973	GLEN CLINTON	*ORV SHULTZ	B. RICHMOND
1974	GLEN CLINTON	FRANK SHOWERS	*VERN WELDY
1975	*CHUCK SHIPMAN	FRANK SHOWERS	JERRY LANGSETH
1976	RED CADWELL	*FRANK SHOWERS	LES BALDWIN
1977	*RON KEEPING	LARRY HARTNETT	DALE EVANS
1978	*VERN WELDY	FRANK SHOWERS	PAUL PARDEE
1979	RED CADWELL	*FRANK SHOWERS	No Entries
1980	RED CADWELL	*FRANK SHOWERS	No Entries
1981	*CHUCK SHIPMAN	RICHARD CLINTON	No Entries
1982	DON LINK	*RICHARD CLINTON	ROBERT AUSTIN
1983	*CHUCK SHIPMAN	FRANK SHOWERS	LARRY HARTNETT
1984	DON LINK	*FRANK SHOWERS	VERN WELDY
1985	CHUCK SHIPMAN	*FRANK SHOWERS	ALAN RUTH
1986	LARRY S. MULOCK	SHANE DAVIS	*ALAN RUTH
1987	*CHUCK SHIPMAN	FRANK SHOWER	ALAN RUTH
1988	STAN MOORE	DALE SWANSON	*BOB AUSTIN
1989	DAN WALLING	*BOB AUSTIN	MARK COLE
1990	*IVER RUDI	FRANK SHOWERS	No Entries
1991	IVER RUDI	BRET ECKERT	*VERN WELDY
1992	RON HESS	*FRANK SHOWERS	GLEN EASTMAN
1993	RON HESS	MARK WELDY	*PAT HILL
1994	RON HESS	*MARK WELDY	FRANK SHOWERS
1995	*BRET ECKERT	DWAYNE NYSTROM	VERN WELDY
1996	CHUCK SHIPMAN	*MARK WELDY	VERN WELDY
1997	BRET ECKERT	MARK WELDY	*VERN WELDY
1998	VERN WELDY	*MARK WELDY	No Entries
1999	VERN WELDY	*MARK WELDY	KEN HERNANDEZ
2000	No Event	No Event	No Event
2001	VERN WELDY	*MARK WELDY	KEN HERNANDEZ

DOOR BELL DERBY

YEAR	OPEN	250cc	125/200cc
2002	VERN WELDY	*MARK WELDY	KEN HERNANDEZ
2003	BRET ECKERT	BILL BUFFINGTON	*MARK WELDY
2004	*BRET ECKERT	No Entries	No Entries
2005	VERN WELDY	WAYNE HALOZAN	*MARK WELDY
2006	VERN WELDY	*BRET ECKERT	BOB AUSTIN
2007	JIM ANDERSON	BRET ECKERT	*BOB AUSTIN
2008	DAVE WELLS	RICH SOLIS	*MARK WELDY
2009	?	?	?

* Denotes overall winner

THE 1X PLATE

Riding number 1X is awarded each year, at the Annual Banquet, to the POLKA DOT who has won the most trophy points in competition during the preceding year. Winners of this symbol of competitive excellence since its inception in 1967 are:

1967.....PAUL KNUDSEN	2001....BOB AUSTIN
1968.....PAUL KNUDSEN	2002....BOB AUSTIN
1969.....CHUCK SHIPMAN	2003....BOB AUSTIN
1970.....JIM TANNER	2004....BRET ECKERT
1971.....JIM TANNER	2005....BRET ECKERT
1972.....DICK URIE	2006....JIM PIATT
1973.....CLAUDE RICHMOND	2007....CLIFF GORMLEY
1974.....JACK COULMBE	2008....???
1975.....JACK COULOMBE	
1976.....JOHN CARPENTER	
1977.....MIKE McDONALD	
1978.....LARRY HARTNETT	
1979.....ART McDADE	
1980.....LARRY HARTNETT	
1981.....JACK COULOMBE	
1982.....ART McDADE	
1983.....JESS GALLO	
1984.....JESS GALLO	
1985.....LARRY S. MULLOCK	
1986.....GREG BARNES	
1987.....BOB AUSTIN	
1988.....BOB AUSTIN	
1989.....BOB AUSTIN	
1990.....BOB AUSTIN	
1991.....MARK WELDY	
1992.....MARK WELDY	
1993.....MARK WELDY	
1994.....RON KEEPING	
1995.....BRET ECKERT	
1996.....BOB AUSTIN	
1997.....MARK WELDY	
1998.....RON HESS	
1999.....RON HESS	
2000.....BOB AUSTIN	

POLKA DOTS "X" NUMBERS

1X	RESERVED TOP CLUB RACER	31X	CLIFF GORMLEY
2X	DAVE DEBOLD	32X	DICK PHILLIPS (R)
3X	RON HESS (R)	33X	RED CADWELL (R)
4X	DON LINK (L)	34X	TOM POCUS
5X	KEN HERNANDEZ (R)	35X	JOE DOWD
6X	MARK WELDY (R)	36X	KEVIN ALLEC
7X	GORDON SEPTINELLI (L)	37X	CHUCK SHIPMAN (R)
8X	DWAYNE NYSTROM (R)	38X	
9X	DENNIS HAUSMANN (L)	39X	
10X	BRET ECKERT	40X	FRANK SHOWERS (R)
11X	BILL BUFFINGTON	41X	
12X	JIM PIATT	42X	WAYNE HALOZAN
13X	STEVE PRATT	43X	ART McDADE (R)
14X	BILL FAIN	44X	BOB BALUNDA
15X	CURT BACKHAUS	45X	DEAN BLANK
16X	RYAN MUSHRUSH	46X	
17X	CHRIS WORTH	47X	MIKE PACE (R)
18X	ROD RUGGLES (R)	48X	MARK TUSTIN
19X	ROBIN DEBOLD (L)	49X	BILL FORD (R)
20X	RON KEEPING (R)	50X	
21X	HAYDEN FLOREZ	51X	JOHN MANNING
22X	BRUCE HENDRICKSON	52X	
23X	LARRY HARTNETT (R)	53X	
24X	JOE KIMBRIEL (R)	54X	
25X	JIM ANDERSON	55X	SEAN SCOTT
26X	MIKE FALLON	56X	
27X	ERNIE FLOREZ	57X	
28X	RICH SOLIS	58X	DAN WALLING (R)
29X	FRANK LEONARDI	59X	
30X	RORY DAVIS (R)	60X	VERN WELDY (R)

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