## Year End Meeting Nov 24, 2012 Dieppe Superstore, New Brunswick

In attendance: Anne W, Christine A, Gail N, Denise M, Jo M, Lynne C, Catherine D, Crystal C, Denise P, Elizabeth P, Peggy D & Beth S. We missed all of you who were unable to attend and hope to see you soon! The agenda for the meeting held in Moncton on Nov 24 is attached. Here are a few tidbits/summary from the discussions:

## • Reports:

- Director & ADD report reviewed the past season and thanked you all for a great riding season! New ACMM business cards have arrived with the new website info-please let me know if you would like to have some cards to hand out.
- o <u>Treasurer's Report</u> (Lynne C) ending balance \$567.55
- Safety: (Christine and Peggy) past relevant topics are posted on the website and new ones will be developed ongoing
- Ride Coordinators (Vicki & Lynne): In the past, ride route suggestions were posted for members which was greatly appreciated. This past year, most rides tended to be Facebook/email driven and open to all which also seemed to work. It was decided to continue with this type of ride planning vs. having set routes as members tend to post new found routes for others to try.
- <u>Historian</u>: Elizabeth has updated the binder and incorporated much of the material into the new website. Elizabeth is focusing on the website launch and maintenance and has asked if anyone is interested in taking on the historian role. If so, please let me know.
- Convention 2012 in Spartanburg SC: review of the convention-good reviews from attendees! Great Southern Hospitality
- o <u>ECMM/ACMM rally in Matane Quebec</u> Aug 10-12 2012: Was a great event-poor weather but good opportunities to get to know our MM sisters
- NEW ACMM WEBSITE: A HUGE thank you to Elizabeth for creating our FANTASTIC new website! If you have not yet viewed it please check it out at www.acmotormaids.com. There is a "member only" section that required a password. Please do not share this password with non-ACMM members. Password for ACMM members is "womenride". For more information about the website, please review the email Elizabeth sent all of us on Nov 26. If you have any additions or suggestions, please pass them along to Elizabeth or me and they will be considered.

## PLANNING FOR 2013 Riding Season:

Monthly Meetings: generally take place on the fourth Sunday of the month.
 Meetings will resume in January. We are aiming for NS and NB monthly meetings with combined meetings every 2-3 months.

- We would like to continue with members volunteering to plan monthly meeting and/or ride. If you are interested in specific months please let me know
- Contests: please send me your ideas for contests in 2013. So far another Scavenger Hunt is the front runner
- o ECMM/ACMM Rally Aug 9-11, 2013 Jackson, NH
  - Next summer's ECMM-ACMM Rally will be held at the beautiful Eagle Mountain House and Golf Club at 179 Carter Notch Road, Jackson, NH. 1-800-966-5779 Call to book your room! More info available on Facebook ACMM Event Invite (or contact me)
- Membership Promotions: We are hoping to be able to participate in upcoming bike shows. Unfortunately the Moncton show has gone to another promoter this year so we are unsure if we will have a complementary booth this year. We ask that you keep your eyes/ears open for local events we may be able to participate/promote. We also discussed working with a dealer closer to riding season to host a "Women Ride" Day..sales, ACMM promotions, BBQ
- O Proposed Rides/Trips: discussion on PEI or NB weekend ride and local free adverstsing to invite women riders. International Female Ride Day will be on May 3rd 2013; Convention Bend Oregon July 9-11; ECMM/ACMM Rally Aug 9-11. Will continue with members posting/emailing invitations to go on rides.
- <u>Fundraising Participation</u>: discussed investigating women's organization to partner with (e.g. BCANS) to assist with fundraising/promotions. If you have any suggestions please let me know.
- Organized Safety Course: Was a great success and we hope to be able to offer again. Lynne will investigate opportunity for another course with Safety Services NS for the May long weekend Monday again.
- Convention Bend Oregon 2013: to date Christine and Lynne are planning on riding to convention. We will be presenting our bid to host the 75th year convention in 2015 in Moncton NB.
- PLANNING FOR 2015 CONVENTION BID 75TH ANNIVERSARY: Crystal, Anne and Elizabeth are the core convention BID planning committee. They have been gathering information, suggestions and learning's from past conventions and our members to help them develop the BID presentation. We have the Delta Hotel in Moncton reserved (right of first refusal) for the July 6-9 2015. Updates will be provided to members as we move forward and WHEN we are successful in winning the bid, other committees will be put into place. Should you have suggestions etc to bring forward please let them know!
- **AWARDS:** Special thanks to Lynne, Christine, Nicole and Anne Marie for all your hard work and creativity in preparing and presenting the ACMM Awards this year. Here is a summary of this year's presentations:

- Special Recognition to Anne, Denise and Heather for all they have put in to ACMMs.
- Highest Mileage to Peggy Dingle
- o Highest Mileage to New Member Jo "Eh" Miller
- Best Helmet Hair: Shan "Ghost" MacDonald....have you seen the pigtails??
  Maybe on the highway :-)
- Longest Trip to Christine Austin
- Longest One Day Ride to Chris Sprague and Christine Austin
- First Time Awards:
  - Joy Ferguson-First Time Riding Across Confederation Bridge
  - Peggy Dingle-First Time Flying a Kite (ever)
- o Most Unique Repair Job-Denise Murphy (duct tape gas cap
- Most Committed Rider-Crystal Cadeau who Beat the Heat to go to Convention
- Leopard Award for Best Dressed to Chris Spragu
- Knight in Shining Armour for rescuing a Damsel in Distress to Deneise P.
- o First ACMM Mother/Daughter members to Heather and Holly Henderson
- Scavenger Hunt Awards:
  - Crystal Cadeau who did it in the cold
  - Elizabeth Pass who did it first
  - Marie Langdon who did it twice cause once was not enough
  - Ann Savoy Mackelvie, Sherlock Holmes lost it and found it
  - Lynne Campbell who just did it
- o Denise Pelrine-Most Creative Interpretation of sign with your name
- Solo Riders- Elizabeth Pass, Catherine Durrett, Christine Austin, Dianne Barnes, Jo "Eh" Miller
- Silly Road Signs contest: with #41- Elizabeth Pas
- Going Post-al: Most frequent posts-Denise Pelrine, Christine Austin, Elizabeth Pass
- o OOPS Awards:
  - Most frequent broken down on the side of the road- Nicole Smith
  - Most Times dropping her bike (which is appropriately named Weeble) -Beth Shaw
- Launch of the: GAIL NEILSON MOTOR MAID OF THE YEAR award: This annual award recognises a current member for her exceptional service to Atlantic Canada Motor Maids by: preserving our history; supporting our traditions and presenting a positive image of women motorcyclists through role modelling and mentoring. This award is presented by the DD in consultation with ADD's. Members may also nominate a member for the award. There was no question that the first recipient of this award would be Gail Neilson. It will be no surprise to hear the comments of members telling us how Gail has inspired all of us over the years. As the most experienced MM in our district, Gail has been a valued source of information, encouragement, instilling confidence in riders and has represented MM admirably. We all appreciate Gail's independence, sense of humor and stories of her riding experiences. Congratulations Gail! Well deserved

- FALL/WINTER SOCIAL EVENTS: Dec 1 Crystal & Randy are holding their annual Christmas party for ACMM & SNUBS. Everyone is invited-check out Facebook for more info! there will be a fun gift exchange-bring a gift (under \$10). 2013 events will be posted as they are determined. Any suggestions-please let me know!
- **FACT or CRAP:** I had a great time creating the Fact or Crap game, hope those who attended enjoyed it (I needed an excuse to wear my sequence jacket!) Thanks for the great material folks!....Gail went to school in a convent? Bahahaha :-)
- **RIDE PATCHES:** Jo "Eh" Miller brought forward a great opportunity for patches. There are patches of the USA and Canada which show each state/province (see attached pic). Riders color in the places they have ridden to. These patches are on sale so Lynne ordered 40 of each (30 are spoken for). Contact Lynne if you would like to purchase a patch- they are about \$5/ea