

**74th CRUSADERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB
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ANNUAL BANQUET HELD AT CLUB

The annual banquet was held at the club house on Saturday, November 23rd with ever fifty people attending. A happy hour with budget prices for refreshments was held from 6 to 7 p.m. Although this did not result in much profit for the club, it was enjoyed by all.

The full turkey dinner with all the trimmings and desserts was quickly served up by Mrs. Lottie Gregory and her smiling staff. The appreciative crowd gave Mrs. Gregory and staff a well-deserved round of applause. They even washed the silverware and cleaned up afterwards; this was no easy feat in an unfamiliar kitchen and with no running water at this time of the year.

Prior to the banquet a general clean-up and "get ready" session was held with five or six members plus Jerry Jones all pitching in. Al Hall says he doesn't want to paint the ceiling again with that hot stove going full blast!

Following the banquet, there were many trophy presentations and awards, as well as the installation of the new Executive for 1992. These events were followed by jokes, stories and speeches. The dance that followed saw one hundred percent participation and the place was really jumping. The music was great and spot dances and prizes further enhanced the proceedings. Everyone seemed to have a grand time.

Thanks to all who organized and helped with this event!

AWARDS AND TROPHIES FOR 1991:

Ten Year Awards: _____ Sid Burrell
Monty Matteson

Sponsored Trophies (Large trophies):

Longest Tour of the Year	Eric Todd
** Most Active Rallyist	Les/Dorothy Robichaud
Female Biker of the Year	Rachel Penney
Born Loser	Len Telfer
Ambassador Award	Paul Doucette
Most Unique Bike	Wayne Chute
Pres. award for "Most Active Female Member"	Nancy Burrell

** This is a new award, the Alex Quartermain Memorial Trophy, sponsored by June Quartermain.

Richard Bent Memorial Trophies: ("Keeper" trophies)

President, 1991	A.L. Hall
Most Mileage	Eric Todd
Biker of the Year	Wayne Chute
Tour Rider of the Year	Gary Smith
Best Looked After Bike	Len Telfer
Most Active Member	Scott MacMullen
Best Attendance	Fred Maxner

UPCOMING EVENTS: Christmas Party

The Club's annual Christmas Party will be held at the club house on December 14th starting around 8:30 p.m.

All members and guests are to bring a gift, value not to exceed \$5.00. Ladies bring a gift marked "Lady" and men bring a gift marked "Man". (That way everyone gets a gift.)

Rumour has it that Santa will favour us with a visit again this year! There will be a tree-trimming and "getting lit up" family event on Saturday afternoon, December 8th. Please attend ... however you likely won't have this newsletter by then, so why am I saying this? (Good question.)

MID-WINTER BASH IN FREDERICTON:

The club has been invited to Fredericton again this year. Sid Burrell suggests that we should take the boat to Saint John, rent a van and drive up there the easy way. If well chip in, it should be much less costly then driving around, especially this time of the year. How about it?

TECHNICAL TIPS from Honda:

This is what Honda has to say about your air filter:

"Proper air filter servicing can do more to ensure long service from your engine than almost any other single item."

How about that bikers? Right after I read that, I went and ordered a new air filter.

EDITORIAL

Thanks for the many favourable comments about this first newsletter. I needed the encouragement.

Well, the old Executive has been shuffled around and a new one has appeared. You probably think of it as a shuffling rather than a re-organization. I wonder, however, if you realize just how few of our 31 or so members can serve the club? We only have about a dozen who live near enough to Annapolis Royal or who are willing and able to serve. So filling nine Executive positions with twelve members means that we do have to "shuffle" the deck. So now you know "the rest of the story".

Goody, goody - I got a letter to the Editor. Thank you Sandy. Your letter appears next in this NEWSLETTER. I hear, however, that other letters may be on the way. These are welcome; don't, however, use letters as your only input to the club. Your opinions are needed at regular club meetings.

By the way, comments that appear in this Editorial section are my opinion and do not necessarily represent the feeling of the club. So if you have been upset or offended by an editorial, take it out on me, not the Executive. OK? (And remember that I have a peculiar sense of humour so please make allowances for me.)

Please write down your proper mailing address and leave it at the club. Also think about voting for \$40 membership dues for 1992 so we can mail you a newsletter. (I know some people don't agree with an increase in dues ... let's put it to a vote.)

Well, Christmas is almost upon us once again. It has been a hard year in some ways. Let's try to look on the bright side and hope that 1992 will be better. I want to wish each and every one of you all the best for the holidays. May you have peace, happiness and prosperity.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

**74th Crusaders Bike Club
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Dear Editor:

I was very impressed by your recent newsletter; it will keep out-of-town members informed of the clubs activities, and will also keep the ones near-by who are not able to attend regularly informed of up-coming events.

What an honor to have guests come to the banquet from as far away as Ohio and Texas; you should be proud you have put Annapolis on the map.

"Coffee drinking at the club!" - quite a shock, keep up the good work fellas. I'm so proud of Len, riding his bike on Christmas Day, what a guy, such dedication and what a good example he's setting for the rest of the club.

Although I'm not a rider, just a back seat driver, I thought I'd let it be known that I think \$40.00 for membership dues and a newsletter packed with the news of the month doesn't seem like too much to me.

Sorry to hear about Jeff's mishap, and lucky for him some members rallied to his rescue. You must be more careful Jeff.

I sure hope we won't have to start wearing some sort of formal dress, what with Building Committees and such, it sure sounds very high class to me.

And after all this great news it blew my mind to read we now have a color TV, no one will have to miss to soap operas or Oprah now. Thanks Al. I thought about donating my VCR, but I'm afraid it may not get used for educational up-grading, but rather those swedish movies and such. Sorry guys for the vote of nonconfidence.

"Tool Night" sounds great, I'm sure there must be at least one screw driver around here not being used that could be donated.

The water can get very rough especially the second ferry to Westport, so I was very happy to read that Paul and his fellow crew members have a good, safe escape plan in case of an emergency.

I think I have covered most of the areas of importance in your newsletter Mr. Editor, and even though my opinion doesn't amount to a "hill of beans", and even if I wasn't suppose to read the newsletter, I did, and I'm glad I did. Keep up the good work, and if I ever run across any juicy gossip or informative information, I'll surely see that you get it. Happy Editing.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Pow Pow or Piff Piff (whichever)