

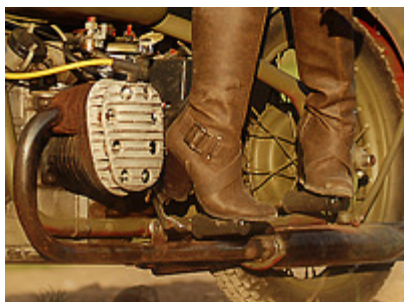
# American Bikers Aiming Toward Education of Montana Newsletter

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## The "BOOT LEG"



### Jody Perewitz Sets 203mph V-Twin World Record at Bonneville

Jody Perewitz blisters Bonneville becoming first women ever to run over 200 MPH on an American V-Twin September 09, 2011

With no prior experience on the famous Bonneville Salt Flats, Team J'Witz and Throttle Master Jody Perewitz, stunned enthusiasts and teams from around the globe at this year's prestigious Bub Motorcycle Speed Trials in Utah. The event brought together the fledgling Team J'Witz and over 300 other racers from around the world to "ride the salt", share the love of speed and enjoy the camaraderie of land speed racing.

The ground up custom built by Team J'Witz is constructed around a Daytec chassis using Performance Machine wheels & brakes. The American V-Twin is a 100ci Jim's Twin Cam assembled at R&R Cycle using a set of their custom machined heads and fine tuned by Dan Thayer. Other components that make up this record breaking motorcycle is a ProCharger, Daytona Twin Tec ignition system, Baker 5-speed transmission and a kick ass Perewitz/PPG paint job.

On Tuesday August 31, 2011 Jody & Team J'witz set a land speed record of 188.911mph. Previously at the Loring Timing Association event in Maine Jody made another world record pass at 164mph. Changes to the motorcycle were made before they set out to Bonneville which included mounting a partial streamline body. This body allowed Jody & the motorcycle to be more aerodynamic with subsequent increases in MPH.

This was only one of 2 goals set out by Team J'Witz. They wanted to set a land speed record as well as go over 200mph. Land speed records are not separated by male and female. Motorcycles are built for certain classes regardless of the gender of the rider. Wednesday September 1, Jody took her bike to the next goal. She made a pass at 203.111 mph! This speed made Jody the first woman in history to go over 200 on an American V-Twin!

The course at Bonneville is 5.5 miles in length. Riders have 2.5 miles to get up to speed, then the American Motorcycle Association (AMA) clocks your speed for a mile and you have 1.5 miles to slow down. On Jody's 200 run she entered the mile going 199 mph and exited the mile at 205 mph. The 203.111 mph is the average speed in the mile. Jody and her machine were going 200+ mph for over a mile!

American Pride drives the J'Witz team and the machine was built with American power and products throughout. Given the level of sophistication and competition Jody's success is a tribute to American ingenuity, quality and "can do" attitude. The Perewitz/Cycle Fabrications business has been based on American motorcycles for almost 40 years!



### ATTENTION!!!

Email us your picture/s of your "BOOTLEG" shots. We can crop them down to use them so any size will work. So get out there and get us some pics!!



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## NEWSLETTER

The **deadline** for the next newsletter will be **February 1st**. So please submit all your articles, ads, run dates and just about anything before this date, thank you.

The cost for ads are as follows;  
Full page - \$130, Half page - \$70,  
Quarter page - \$40, Business card - \$10,  
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**Please send your requests to BOTH Editors in the same email. Thank you.**

Deadlines for the year:  
December 1st for the January - February issue.  
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June 1st for the July - August issue.  
August 1st for the September - October issue.

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(All contact information is above!)



# EVENTS CALENDAR



March 31 - State Meeting, Great Falls MT, Tap House (tentative)

## Historic 1894 Roper Steam-Powered Motorcycle Expected to Set New World Record

at Auctions America by RM's Debut Las Vegas Sale

AUBURN, Indiana (October 26, 2011) - A historic *1894 Roper Steam Motorcycle* is expected to establish a new world record\* for a motorcycle sold at auction when it crosses the podium at Auctions America by RM's debut Last Vegas sale, January 12 - 14, 2012. The multi-day auction will feature an impressive docket of over 400 collector motorcycles.

The second of just two steam-powered motorcycles built by Sylvester Roper of Roxbury, Massachusetts, arguably one of America's first auto manufacturers, the 117-year-old motorcycle is regarded as one of the world's oldest, predating early examples produced by Orient, Indian and Harley-Davidson.

"We're delighted to have been selected to present this historic and pioneering motorcycle at our inaugural Las Vegas sale in January. A significant piece of Americana, it is arguably one of the world's most important motorcycles," says Glenn Bator, Head of Auctions America by RM's Vintage Motorcycle Division.

Based on the frame of a Columbia bicycle, its revolutionary design features a compact rectangular boiler, burner and grate, and a small steam engine on the right side. A water tank was located directly over the boiler, from which a smoke vent exited at a rakish angle. All controls were located on the handlebars. In keeping with the true definition of a motorcycle, the Roper was completed without pedals.

In addition to its pioneering design, the Roper Steam Motorcycle boasts a remarkable provenance from 1894, including a known, unbroken history from new. Regularly used by Roper, it averaged a record speed of 40 miles per hour on the Dorchester Road in Boston for a measured mile in May 1896.

Following Roper's passing in 1896, this historic motorcycle was sold by one of his heirs to a Long Island museum and after moving through a series of other museums, including America's Circus City Museum and Bellm's Cars of Yesterday, formed part of two prominent private collections. The current owner acquired the historic motorcycle in 1996 and has seldom lent it for display, with its most recent showing at the Motorcycle Hall of Fame in Pickerington, Ohio, where it helped to celebrate the induction of Sylvester Hayward Roper, America's first motorcyclist. Today, presented in its original stove black livery, Auctions America's upcoming Las Vegas auction represents the first time it has been offered at a public sale (Estimate available upon request).

"With the only other Roper motorcycle ever built on long-term display at the Smithsonian Institution, the upcoming sale of this example presents an exclusive, once-in-a-lifetime ownership opportunity for serious collectors. We anticipate strong interest in its sale," Bator adds.

The famous Roper leads a magnificent roster of an expected 400 collector motorcycles slated for Auctions America's multi-day, dedicated motorcycle sale in Las Vegas. Additional notable entries include:

- a rare *1911 Wagner Single*, one of a select series of motorcycles from the Jerry DeMille Collection
- an award-winning **1936 Harley-Davidson LE Knucklehead**, the first year of the knucklehead and an AMCA 99-point Junior First Prize winner.

Auctions America by RM's debut Las Vegas Premier Motorcycle Auction will be held January 12 - 14, 2012 at the Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino, 3700 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada. In addition to the auction, the event will incorporate an exclusive motorcycle seminar on Saturday, January 14, featuring noted industry experts including Buzz Walneck, founder of Walneck's Classic Cycle Trader; Doug Mitchell, noted motorcycle author; Mark Hoyer, editor of Cycle World magazine; and respected collector, Joe Bortz.

For full event details on Auctions America by RM's Las Vegas Premier Motorcycle Auction, or to view a frequently updated list of entries, please visit [www.auctionsamerica.com](http://www.auctionsamerica.com) or call Toll Free 877-906-2437 (+1 269 927 9797).

**\*Editor's Note:** The current world record for a motorcycle sold at auction is held by a 1915 Cyclone Board Track Racer OHC, which sold for \$520,000 USD in 2008.





## ABATE CHATTER

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**To All Chapters and Members; I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!**

**Looks like we will have a lot on our plate in the next few years so I would like to encourage "ALL" to show up at the State Meetings. Remember that "ALL" members are welcome at these meetings not just the Officers.**

**Hope to see a bunch of you at the next State Meeting which is tentatively set for March 31st, 2012 in Great Falls, MT (more info to come).**

**Thank you to all who sent in material for the Newsletter.**

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### SANTA'S HELPERS DELIVER TOYS ON TWO WHEELS

By Kenneth Wong

**BILLINGS** - It was an operation on a scale probably similar to Santa Claus, as hundreds of people gathered to bring gifts to Magic City's children in need on Sunday. The method of delivery was not sleighs, however, but motorcycles. In addition, the people at the event were not Santa Claus, but more like Santa's Helpers.

The revving of motorcycles could be heard everywhere

at Fire Station #1 in Northside, as hundreds of bikers gathered for the 27th annual Toy Run, which is organized by local biker group Road Dogs. In 2010 the run was marred by cold weather, but warm temperature Sunday morning drew a crowd.

Many of the toy runners at the event have taken part in it for more than a decade. Before the run, they hold auctions and T-shirt sales to raise money for the toys. In 2011, the Road Dogs raised \$24,000 for toys, and other groups also pitched in.

"We've overfilled two dump trucks. I've got a suburban that's completely packed full. There's a bunch of toys from the Fire Department that we have to do, plus what everyone else's bringing. So, there's a lot," said Road Dogs President Mark "curly" Helmbrecht, who went on to say that he cannot even estimate how many pieces of toys they bought for 2011.

The convoy of 400 bikes began its run to Rimrock Mall at noon, and it didn't take long for them to reach the West End mall. A number of ordinary citizens grabbed a piece of the sidewalk on Broadwater Ave. to watch the parade pass by.

"When you're going down the road, and you're passing people down the road, and they're honking and waving. It's a fantastic feeling to know that the community supports us, and supports getting toys for children," said Scott "Flat Top" Lantz.

The mall was swamped with the group, as they proceeded to a Christmas tree inside to put down their toys. There were so many, in fact, that it completely covered up the Christmas tree. Helmbrecht originally envisioned that only the extreme top part of the tree would remain visible. The Salvation Army took possession of the toys afterwards, and they plan on distributing them to kids in need as soon as possible.

"I feel great. I'm glad that everything's going so well this year," said Helmbrecht.

"It's a fantastic feeling to know that we're gonna help some kids out there, to have toys on Christmas," said Lantz.





## Bonhams Motorcycle Auction Kicks Off With A Collection Of 50 Barn Finds

Vintage and Classic Motorcycles at The Bristol Classic Motorcycle Show, 18th February 2012

Bonhams are pleased to announce a new sale of Vintage and Classic Motorcycles to be held at The Bristol Classic Motorcycle Show, 18th February 2012. The show takes place at The Bath and West Showground, and is the curtain raiser to a season of classic motorcycle exhibitions and shows.

Already consigned to this auction is an amazing collection of over 50 'barn finds' and low mileage machines which include:

1928 Ariel Model B De Lux (estimate £ 1,000 - 1,500)

1936 Ariel 350cc Red Hunter (estimate £ 1,000 - 2,000)

1946 Norton 16H (estimate £ 1,000 - 1,400)

1947 Velocette KSS (estimate £ 3,000 - 4,000)

1958 Panther Model 100 (estimate £ 1,500-2,000)

1960 Velocette Venom (estimate £ 3,000-4,000)

1975 Suzuki GT380 (estimate £ 300 - 800)



Together with a host of other marques spanning the 1920s to the 1960s.

Ben Walker says, "Barn finds always prove popular and to find a collection as untouched as this is a rare event. The motorcycles on offer are all largely low mileage and have been carefully stored for decades - the tyres even held air when we inflated them."

Further Entries for this exciting sale are invited.

The Bristol Classic Motorcycle Show:

Bonhams, founded in 1793, is one of the world's oldest and largest auctioneers of fine art and antiques. For a full listing of upcoming sales, plus details of Bonhams specialist departments, go to [www.bonhams.com](http://www.bonhams.com).

## Private Du Pont Collection Of Motorcycles Comes To Auction

50-motorcycle Trove to be featured at Bonhams Las Vegas Sale in January  
November 21, 2011

*San Francisco* – Bonhams is pleased to announce that it has been entrusted to represent what is regarded as one of the most important collections of motorcycles to come to market in years. From the prominent Du Pont family, an American name synonymous with a chemical empire, a luxury automobile manufacturer, and Indian motorcycle, is a private museum collection three generations in the making.

Offered for the very first time, this collection of nearly 50 vintage motorcycles spanning 70 years contains many important and impressive machines, a good number of them Indian.

As an investor of the Indian Motorcycle Company since 1923, Eleuthere Paul du Pont took over the ailing company in 1929 and helped usher in one of the most successful eras – financially, competitively, technologically and stylistically – in Indian's history. As a result of this, the Du Pont family collection contains numerous Indian models – many of them restored at Indian's Springfield, Mass. factory – such as Camelback, Singles, Twins, Prince, Scout, Chief and Four, not to mention the following noteworthy individuals:

- A completely untouched, original condition circa 1903 Indian Camelback
- 1908 Indian Camelback with an early restoration by the Indian factory
- 1908 Indian Twin restored by the factory and displayed in Philadelphia
- An extremely rare original paint 1909 Pope Single
- Circa 1915 Indian Twin Board Track Racer acquired in the 1950s
- What is believed to be the last Indian Chief supplied to a dealer

Additionally, some notable British motorcycles will be included in the auction, such as a 1951 Vincent Black Shadow with just 3,000-odd miles, and a believed ex-Francis Beart 1959 Norton Manx, as well as numerous Triumph models. In all, the Du Pont family collection includes the following marques from America: BSA, Ducati, Gilera, Harley-Davidson, Honda, Indian, Merkel, Ner-A-Car, Norton, Peugeot, Pope, Scott, Simplex, Stephens, Suzuki, Triumph, Vincent and Yamaha.

The Du Pont Museum Collection will be offered at the second annual Bonhams Las Vegas Motorcycle Sale on January 12th, inside the Auto Collections museum at the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino on The Strip.

Buyers interested in registering to bid, in person or remotely, may visit [bonhams.com/vegas](http://bonhams.com/vegas)





# IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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Drink - I LIKE IT ALL

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Favorite drink - DEPENDS ON TIME, DAY, OR DATE

Favorite holiday - 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY

Favorite bike - MINE

Favorite bike ride - ALL

Favorite bike event - THE ONES I CAN MAKE IT TO

Favorite non-bike event - FOOTBALL GAMES/NASCAR RACES

BEST EVER... bike ride - WESTERN RIDE,

BEST EVER... bike event - Sturgis/four corners rallies

BEST EVER... non-bike event - Raider games, NASCAR races

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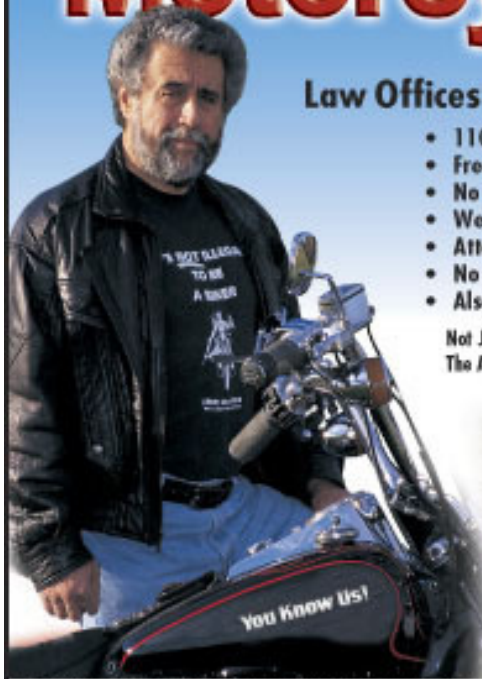
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### Word List:

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## Krawiec Rides Harley-Davidson to NHRA World Championship

Hines Wins All-Harley Final at Pomona, Krawiec Claims His Second Crown  
 November 14, 2011

**Pomona, California (November 13, 2011)** - Harley-Davidson® Screamin' Eagle®/Vance & Hines rider Ed Krawiec is the 2011 NHRA Pro Stock Motorcycle world champion. Krawiec clinched the title with a second-round win at the Automobile Club of Southern California NHRA Finals at Auto Club Raceway that eliminated Lucas Oil Buell rider Hector Arana Jr., the only rider in the field with a chance to overtake Krawiec for the championship. Krawiec advanced to the final round and lost to his Harley-Davidson Screamin' Eagle/Vance & Hines teammate Andrew Hines, who finished the season third in points.

"I think this is really a statement on the season, to end it with an all-Harley final and the championship, and with Willie G. Davidson and the bunch from Harley here to see it," said Krawiec. "This championship validates the championship I won in 2008 when I didn't win any races. For Andrew and I to go to the final two races and be winner and runner-up is amazing. Plus to have the opportunity to race with such great competitors, I couldn't ask for anything more."

Krawiec's championship is the fifth for the Harley-Davidson Screamin' Eagle/Vance & Hines team. Hines won the title three years in a row from 2004 through 2006, and Krawiec earned his first championship in 2008. Krawiec won four times during the 2011 season, at Gainesville, Norwalk, Charlotte, and Las Vegas. He also set a new Pro Stock Motorcycle speed record of 199.26 mph at Gainesville.

The Harley-Davidson Screamin' Eagle/Vance & Hines team dominated the Pro Stock Motorcycle field at the NHRA Finals. Hines was the top qualifier, riding his Harley-Davidson® V-Rod® to a 6.820-second elapsed time (ET) in the first run on Thursday. Arana Jr. qualified second at 6.832 seconds, while Krawiec qualified a V-Rod® third at 6.850 seconds.

Krawiec began Sunday eliminations with a 69-point lead over Arana Jr., and opened with a win over Geico Suzuki rider Karen Stoffer. Arana Jr. kept pace by defeating Next Level Racing Suzuki rider Justin Finely. Krawiec ended the title suspense in round two by defeating the 2010 champion, Nitrofish Suzuki rider LE Tonglet. Krawiec then put an exclamation point on the day by defeating Arana Jr. in the semi-final round.



Hines blasted through Sunday eliminations with wins over Michael Phillips on The Edge Suzuki, Buell rider Angie Smith, and Lucas Oil Buell rider Hector Arana Sr., setting up an all-Harley final-round match with Krawiec. Hines got the win when Krawiec fouled at the starting line. It was the second win of the season for Hines, who also won the final at Houston.

"What a phenomenal weekend," said Hines. "This has been a bookend season for the Screamin' Eagle team, and to end the season with two all-Harley finals, and the championship for Harley-Davidson. This team is a force to be reckoned with."

The final Pro Stock Motorcycle points tally has Krawiec in first place with 2,691 points. Arana Jr. is second with 2601 points, followed by Hines with 2,511 points, Matt Smith with 2,456 points, and Arana Sr. in fifth place with 2389 points.

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