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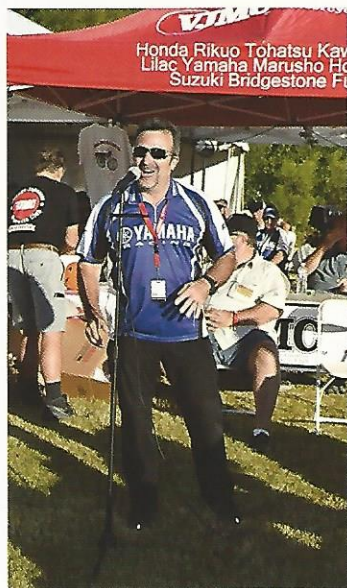
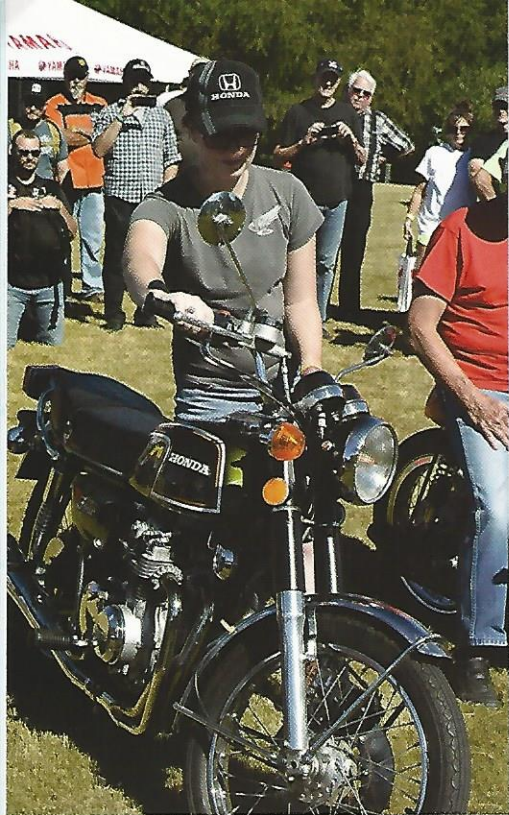
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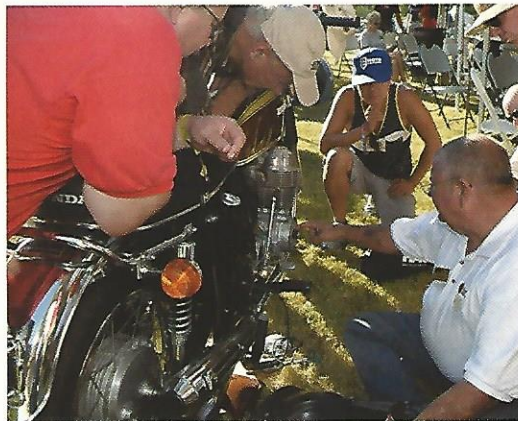
VJMC Summer Fun
in Michigan





LEFT:
Steve Liberatore, long time VJMC supporter, addresses the club

BELOW:
Bryan Bentley demonstrates electronic ignition installation



LEFT:
Member Molly Miller fires up her Honda CB350F during the Sounds of Japanese Horsepower contest.



Honda Benley Dream 4E



LEFT:
No one goes hungry at VJMC events!

BELOW RIGHT:
Japanese "Harley-Davidson"

BELOW LEFT:
Young VJMC volunteer pulls winning tickets



NEAR LEFT:
VJMC supporters, Ikon Suspension

FAR LEFT:
Lee Mitzel picks up his raffle prize from racing legends Jimmy James and Colin Edwards



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by Michael Fitterling / editor@vjmc.org

The weather couldn't have been more cooperative for this year's premier vintage motorcycle event. Cool nights and sunny, warm afternoons made for a pleasant setting for this year's festivities. 2016 marked the twelfth year for this iconic event, with the VJMC having been there since the beginning. Attendance was around 73,000, up from the 65,000+ the year before, making for a lively and bustling festival.

The VJMC was once again at the huge grassy area just inside Gate Ten, with a beautiful view of the museum across the road at the exit of Turn 9. The expansive area hosted the bike show, consisting of 109 examples of showroom quality, stock vintage Japanese motorcycles from all the major manufacturers, with a very large contingent of Hondas on hand this year.

On Friday the club area came alive with the Sounds of Japanese Horsepower contest. For a while the sound of AHRMA racing was drowned out by fine examples of singles, twins, triples, and fours, while the view of the museum was temporarily obscured by the cloud emanating from the two-stroke contestants' bikes.

During the bike show awards ceremony on Saturday, members were surprised by special trophy presenter, Colin Edwards—two time Superbike World Champion, sponsored by Yamaha. Also in attendance was famed racer and four time AMA National Champion Jamie James along with Steve Liberatore, Yamaha's South East Regional Business Manager, who has been a generous supporter of our club for years. Yamaha provided numerous prizes for our lucky raffle winners, picked from a hat by one of our youngest vintage motorcycle enthusiasts. Following the awards, members and supporters sat down to a sold-out delicious dinner BBQ. No one walked away hungry.

Throughout the festival, visitors and club members flowed into and out of the VJMC's gathering

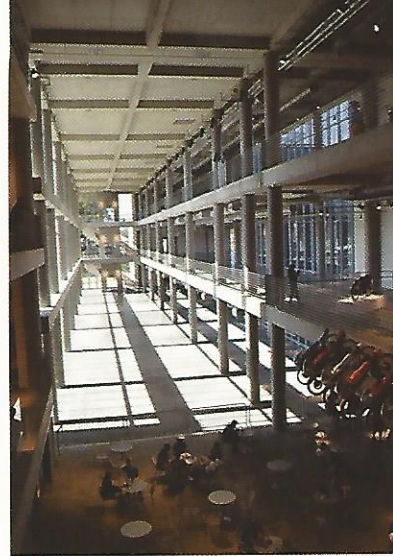
VOLUNTEERS

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 Glen French
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 Aaron Leonovich
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 Jaqueline Lycan
 Jay Mancin
 Murray Milne
 Buck Mitchell
 Lee Mitzel
 Sheryl Moshinskie
 Greg Murray
 Norton Muzzone
 James Neill
 Tim North
 Brian Olson
 David Paryzek
 Keith Perry
 Bob Pickering
 Greg Pitt
 Butch Pownell
 Barry Schonberger
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 Richard Stevens
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 Greg Weston
 Steve York





ABOVE:
Trophy winners
at the event

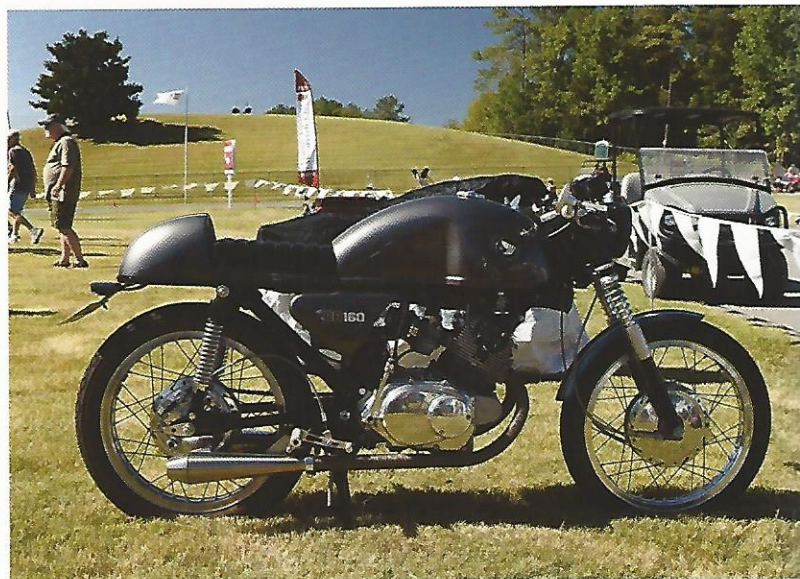


LEFT:
Museum
expansion

RIGHT:
VJMC volunteers
hard at work



BELOW:
While Hondas
dominated in
the bike show,
Yamahas also
made a strong
showing.



ABOVE:
Sweet CB160
café racer in
the VJMC area



RIGHT:
Yamaha's donation to
Barber Museum of
R1M revealed by Colin
Edwards & Jamie James

photo by George Martin



of vintage Japanese iron and walked or rode the tram around the huge motorsports park. From the museum and the huge swap meet area to Ace Corner and the café racer bike show, many of which fit the club's vintage Japanese criteria, to the Fan Zone below Gate 2, where new offerings from manufacturers were highlighted, to hillside seats above the racetrack there was something for everyone at the event. Meanwhile, the sounds of AHRMA racing provided the appropriate background "music" all weekend.

The Barber Motorsports Museum has to be one of the highlights of anyone's visit to the festival, being the largest of its kind in the world. This was a special

year, with the museum revealing the almost finished 85,000 square foot expansion being added to the existing 144,000 square feet. With the completion of the addition, the number of bikes that will be displayed from among the 1400 in the collection will be substantially more than the current 650 which are currently displayed.

Each day, the VJMC field, hospitality tent, and information tables were abuzz with activity. Randy Mayes did a fantastic job of organizing the many volunteers, making bike show registration, membership information, and memorabilia sales run like clockwork. During the weekend fifty-eight new people joined the ranks of our membership,

and ten renewed their memberships. Thanks to all the volunteers who gave up part of their weekend to serve their club.

Next year the thirteenth festival is scheduled for October 6th through the 8th. Mark your calendars now and start making plans to join us again, as the event is only expected to grow and accommodations fill up early. I hope to see you there in 2017! ●

VJMC BARBER VINTAGE FESTIVAL BIKE SHOW TROPY WINNERS 2016

PEOPLE'S CHOICE TIDDLER UNDER 100CC

1ST PLACE	Bob Pickering	1969 Suzuki AS50
2ND PLACE	Chris Hayslip	1969 Honda Z50
3RD PLACE	Mike Appleton	1971 Honda SL70
SPECIAL MERIT	Jack Pranzarone	1972 Honda CT70

PEOPLE'S CHOICE 1950S-1980S YAMAHA

1ST PLACE	Lee Mitzel	1970 XS1
2ND PLACE	Buck Mitchell	1967 YDS - 3C
3RD PLACE	Brett Baldi	1975 RD350B
SPECIAL MERIT	Mike Thomas	1977 XS650D

PEOPLE'S CHOICE 1950S-1960S HONDA

1ST PLACE	Lee Mitzel	1955 4E Dream
2ND PLACE	Lloyd Kneller	1968 CL350
3RD PLACE	Tim Miller	1963 CL72
SPECIAL MERIT	Billy Aldrich	1958 C75 Dream

PEOPLE'S CHOICE 1970S HONDA UNDER 500CC

1ST PLACE	Jay Mancin	1974 CB350F
2ND PLACE	Lloyd Kneller	1973 CL350
3RD PLACE	Steve York	1972 CL450
SPECIAL MERIT	Mike Jamison	1978 XL350

PEOPLE'S CHOICE 1970S HONDA OVER 500CC

1ST PLACE	Bobby Pack	1979 CBX1000
2ND PLACE	Wes Anderson	1975 GL1000
3RD PLACE	Robert Groeller	1973 CB750K
SPECIAL MERIT	Greg Murray	1978 CB550K

PEOPLE'S CHOICE 1980S-1990S HONDA

1ST PLACE	Russ Briney	1984 VF1000F
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PEOPLE'S CHOICE BEST SUZUKI

1ST PLACE	David Paryzek	1968 TC305
2ND PLACE	Brian James	1972 GT750
3RD PLACE	Charles Gerard	1972 GT750

PEOPLE'S CHOICE BEST KAWASAKI

1ST PLACE	Eric Long	1975 Z1
2ND PLACE	Leroy Mitzel	1973 H2 750

ORPHAN CLASS

1ST PLACE	Brian James	1970 Bridgestone GTR350
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COMPETITION CLASS

1ST PLACE	Richard Burleigh	1982 Yamaha TZ250J
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Special Award Trophies:

AWARD OF SHOW MERIT

Michael Hall	1988 Yamaha TDR250
Warren Mayes	1983 Honda MVX250R
Kerry Carsley	1971 Yamaha GT80
Rob Shearer	1971 Honda SL350

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS

Steve Adams
Sean Carrigan
Greg Golias

LONGEST VOLUNTEERS

Granade Family

VJMC SPIRIT AWARDS

Bryan Bentley, Ellis Holman, Randy Mayes

SWEET SOUNDS OF JAPANESE HORSEPOWER CONTEST

Sweetest Sounding Single	Michael York	Honda XL600R
Sweetest Sounding Twin	David Swigler	Honda CB92
Sweetest Sounding Triple	Sean Eviston	Suzuki GT750
Sweetest Sounding 4-cyl	Tom Knighten	Yamaha VMax

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