

Well gang, once again it's time to hear from America's favorite leading expert on Faux-Erudition MC Sciences. The good doctor answers your motorcycle questions with enlightenment and true nirvana. So as they used to say on 12 inch black and white screen of the 1950's "Keep those cards and letters coming in folks." You can also email your questions to the doctor at drgdoodad@yahoo.com for more personal service.

So, without further ado, let's get to this month's mailbag.

**DARK RIDER**

**Dear Doc.**

I have an older Harley with a 6-volt electrical system. I would like to update to a more modern 12-volt system. I would like to keep the original equipment look of my bike. What is involved and how much can I expect to spend. Any advice you can give me would be greatly appreciated.

Bubba - Little Rock, Arkansas

**Bubba**

It is a good idea to update your bike's electrical system. Original is nice but riding an older machine at night is like trying to see by the light of a match. The conversion to 12-volt is pretty straightforward. You will need to buy a 12-volt battery and late model oil tank to house it in to keep your stock look. You will have to replace your points, coil, spark plugs, and plug wires. You will also have to replace your fuses with 12-volt components. You will need to change your generator, regulator, coil, and all of your lights. The cost will be about \$400 to \$700 depending on whether, or not, you use new or used parts.

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**ANYTHINGS POSSIBLE**

**Dr. Gizmo,**

I would really like to have a Harley-Davidson someday. My financial situation right now does not permit it. I have a Honda Shadow. Could I put a Harley motor in it? What changes to the frame are involved and what do you think it would cost?

Dewey - Armpit, Texas

**Dewey,**

Given enough time, money, and effort anything is possible. You could put a Harley motor in a John Deer tractor if you wanted to.

You would need to rebuild the entire frame on your Honda and strengthen all the weld joints to accommodate the V-twins additional size and torque. You would also need to replace everything on your present driveline such as: transmission, clutches, and rear sprocket. I would estimate that the project would cost around \$8,000,000. Good luck. Follow your dream. Let me know how you make out.

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**WAY OUT THERE**

**Doc.**

Do you think the theory of relativity is correct in its relationship to quantum physics, motion, and time travel?

Albert - Via the Internet

**Al**

Yes. A motorcycle traveling in a straight line will eventually reach its destination.

## WISCONSIN MOTORCYCLE MEMORIAL

At this present time a motorcycle memorial is being built in Baileys Harbor. A group of dedicated bikers called Northeast Wisconsin Bikers Association have jumped through all the political hoops required and this is a done deal. The land has been donated and approved for use. The memorial will have a black 5 foot tall stone monument shaped in the form of the state of WI engraved with the words "Dedicated to All our Brothers and Sisters In The Wind. That we may never forget them. May their soles ride on forever." This stone is being carved as this is being written.

There will also be a paved walk way, paved with "in memory of bricks". These bricks are 6" x 9" and will be inscribed with persons name, date of birth, date of passing, and hometown. Price of these bricks is in negotiation but should be decided by the time this is in print.

There will also be a massive stone & steel archway at the entrance of the memorial depicting 2 motorcycles atop 2 stone pillars.

If you would like to buy a brick, have questions, or would like to make a cash donation please contact:

Wisconsin Motorcycle Memorial  
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Sign up at The Office Bar in Wausau, from 10-11:30am Ride begins at 11:30 and ends at Rock Island Resort, Merrill.  
For lodging, dining & area activities, call the Merrill Area Chamber of Commerce, toll free at 877-907-2757 or visit [www.merrillchamber.com](http://www.merrillchamber.com)  
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for reservations and information call 763-441-9091



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**JUSTIN HEAL**

Saturday:  
**PORKCHOP**

Rally Weekend Costs: \$40 in advance or \$50 at the gate per person  
Must be 18 years of age to attend

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