

3rd Owner and Documented:
Please read this fantastic Story
of my 1959 Original Panhead
with side car



the motorcycle

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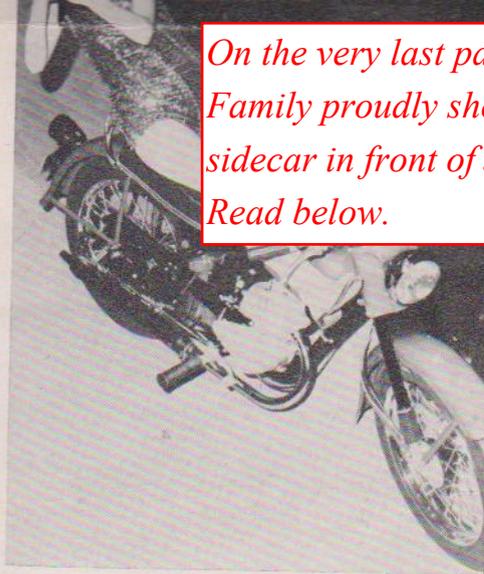
My story begins with this August issue of the Enthusiast Mag back in 1959.

WORLD'S GREATEST SPORT

Cruising the By-Ways

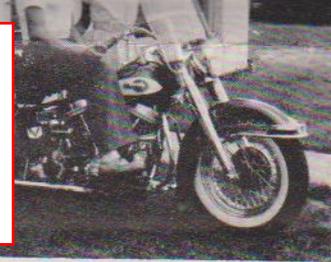
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On the very last page of the August 1959 issue, the Wilcox Family proudly show off their newly purchased motorcycle with sidecar in front of Jim Ransom's Harley Dealer in Connecticut. Read below.

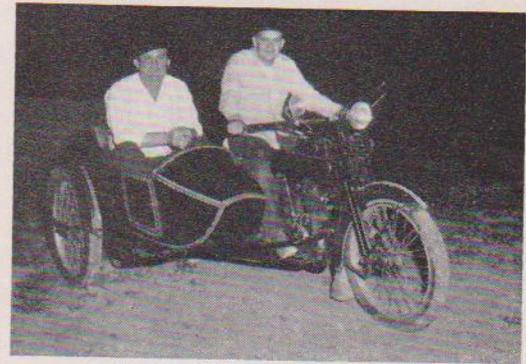


casims, a colorful sash and a neat cap and scarf earned Mrs. Bonnie Pak of Salem, Ore., the "Best Dressed Girl Rider" trophy at a recent rally at Bend, Ore. Note that her Model 165 is also spotless and sparkling.

Left—The highlight of the Minneapolis Vocational School's production of "Annie Get Your Gun," came when Diane Mayer, playing Annie Oakley, rode a Harley-Davidson Model 165 as she broke balloons with her rifle.



Mr. and Mrs. William Storm of Gettysburg, Pa., are typical of many happy cycling couples. Immediately after their first "floating on air" ride on their '59 FLH DUO-GLIDE, dealer John A. Toomey captured their smiles of pleasure.



Above—Bob Defenderfer of Chambersburg, Pa. always has a good time when he rides his 1924 Harley-Davidson sidecar outfit to an event. The 35 year old machine still has the original paint job and is in good running condition. Bill Brian was Bob's passenger when this picture was taken.

Left—New Owners All! Some of the 1959 owners who call Jim Ransom their friend, recently gathered at his dealership in Stamford, Conn., for this photo. They are, left to right: Cosimo Rappoccio, Mike Luppino, Gus Capoli, John Frey, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilcox and their daughter, Dealer Jim Ransom, Richard Qliff, Lou Miceli, Joe Caputo.



The original owner, Harry Wilcox Jr in 1959
with his aunt and his daughter Nancy.

Note: the light on the sidecar which Harry put on after he bought the bike. This is documented through emails from his wife Ellen.



Harry and children, (Nancy and Harold)



J. R. RANSON
Harley-Davidson Cycle Sales

NOV 28, 1958

FIRST BILL

ADDRESS, ETC.

YOUR ORDER NO.

BILL NO.

TERMS

DATE SHIPPED

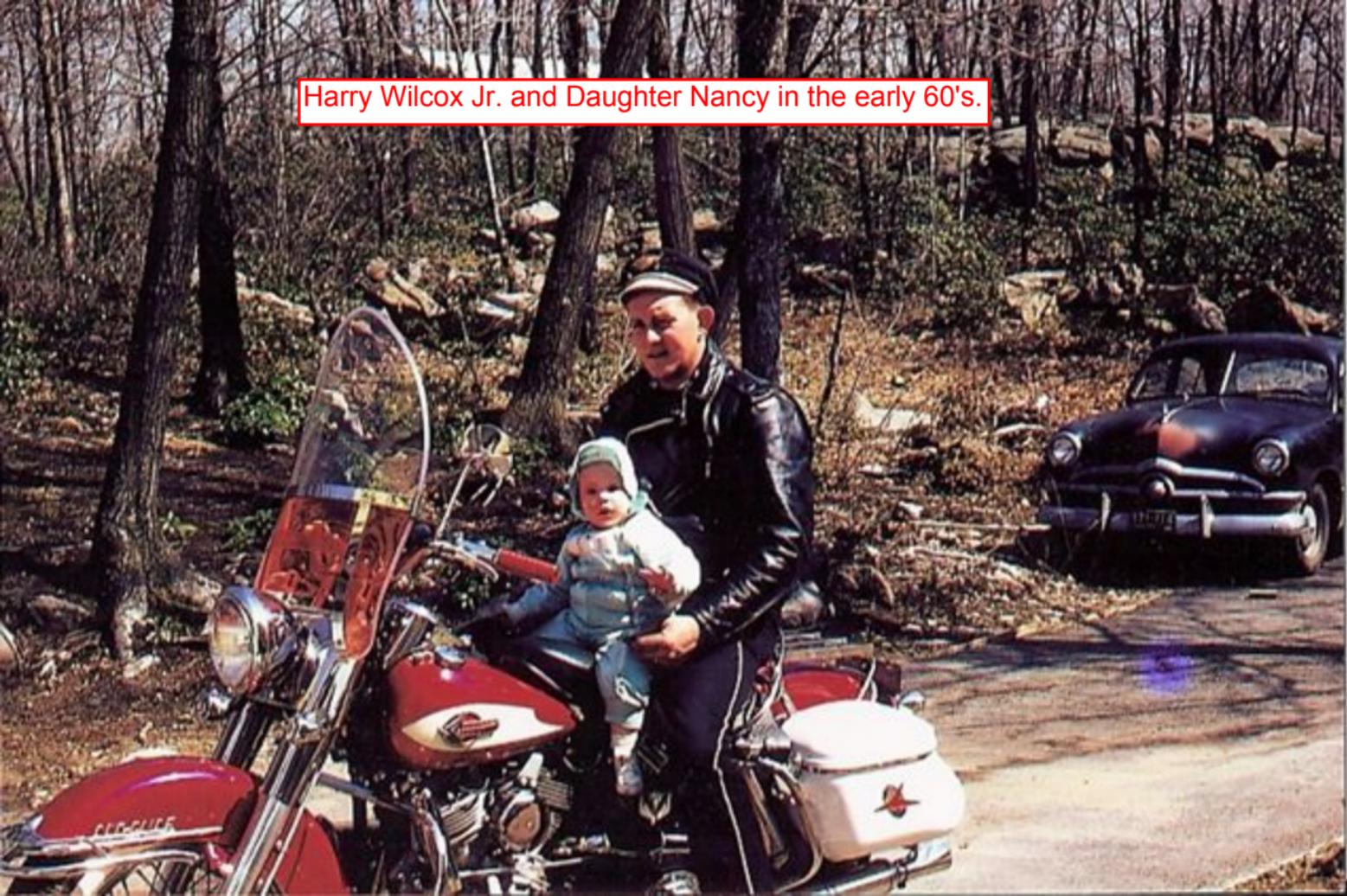
SHIPPED VIA

Harry Wilcox
 Peppers Lane
 Wilton, Conn.

| QTY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT PRICE | TOTAL PRICE |
|-----|--|------------|-------------|
| 1 | 1959 FLH Hi-Fi red. King of the Highway | 1675.00 | 1675.00 |
| 1 | sidecar | 485.00 | 485.00 |
| | Hi-Fi red paint on side-car | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| | trade-in on 125, 100, 71/2 750. side-car | 1000.00 | 1000.00 |
| | | 1185.00 | 1185.00 |
| | tax trailfork | 35.50 | 35.50 |
| | tax on 12 ⁷⁵ | 12.75 | 12.75 |
| | | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| | | 1236.25 | 1236.25 |
| | Ship SAP | 60.00 | 60.00 |
| | Paid cash | 628.68 | 628.68 |
| | | 1236.25 | 1236.25 |

This is a copy of the original bill of sale sent to me from Ellen Wilcox. Harry and Ellen are still not ready to part with the original but maybe someday.

Harry Wilcox Jr. and Daughter Nancy in the early 60's.



October 2009, the day I bought the bike from the 2nd owner, Carl Sayers, shown on the right. He bought the bike in 1969 from Harry Wilcox Jr. To the left, my friend Rick McGrogan.



Copy of the Certificate of Title showing
Carl bought it April 28th, 1969.



State of Connecticut
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Certificate of Title

TO A MOTOR VEHICLE

The Department of Motor Vehicles of the State of Connecticut hereby certifies that application for a Certificate of Title to a motor vehicle has been duly filed, pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut.

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|---|--|---|---|
| 1. TYPE OF REGISTRATION M | REGISTRATION NO. 36 5951 | TITLE NO. 4921067 | PLATE NO. 031 |
| 2. OWNER'S SEX M | 3. NEW OWNER'S BIRTHDATE MO. DAY YR. 1 31 99 | 4. DATE YOU BOUGHT VEHICLE Apr 28 69 | PRIOR TITLE NO. |
| 7. NEW OWNER'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) Carl R Sangers | | | 9. RESIDENCE ADDRESS (If different from Mail Address at left) |
| 8. MAIL ADDRESS (No. & Street, P.O. box not acceptable unless box 9 completed) 13 May Brook Rd Danbury Conn | | | |
| 11. VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO. (Not Engine No.) 5A FLH. 3335 | | 12. MAKE OF VEHICLE Harley Davidson | 13. VEHICLE COLOR(S) (Not more than two) RED |
| 14. NO. OF CYL. 17 | | | 15. BODY STYLE (4-Dr. Sedan, etc.) |
| 18. NEW USED | | | |

Oct. 2009, the day I brought her home, still not unloaded from the trailer.



Note the PINK color. The bike, (not sidecar) was repainted in the 80's and the paint has changed colors over time. The sidecar still has the original paint.



I found the original owners thru research and they came to visit me in Sept. 2010. These people are one/two of a kind and loved this bike. They were very happy that it was finally in the hands of someone that loved it as much as they did.....ME !!!!!!!!!



Harry in the sidecar in my garage. The bike itself is still in the shop for a total restoration, frame up!!



Ellen Wilcox, Sept 2010 in my garage.



Let the restoration begin! Attention to detail and no short cuts anywhere.





With the restoration process more than 75% done, Harry and Ellen enjoy their first glimpse of the motorcycle in 40 + years.

December 2010, after an 11 month frame up restoration.



June 2011



August 2011, Note the right side bubble bag with the sidecar. This is a custom bag designed and fitted by my friend and the only reason I own this piece of history, Rick McGrogan



Me and my son T going for a short ride, August 2011.





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