

This month's member spotlight is yet another longtime member, and rider, Charles Gardner. He also happens to be the Cycletrons' ride coordinator. Thanks for sharing Chuck!

**T.C.**: How long have you been an employee of BNL? **Charles:** 30 years and counting.....

T.C.: What department do you work in?

**Charles**: C-AD until 2009. I'm currently doing time at NSLS2 as Lead Operator in the Control room.

**T.C.**: How long have you been a Cyclotrons' member? **Charles**: Since it's reincarnation by founding member Frank Dusek and I in 1996.

T.C.: Tell us about your family.

**Charles**: I have 2 Beautiful girls which are both in college and they are my reason for living...Love them to pieces.

**T.C.**: What was your first motorcycle? **Charles**: 1983 Yamaha Virago 750 cc.

T.C.: What do you ride now? Charles: 2005 Honda VTX 1800N.

**T.C.**: What is your favorite ride experience, and why?

**Charles**: Sturgis 2009', my longest and best ride ever....truly looking forward to a Repeat...!!

T.C.: Besides motorcycling, what is your favorite pastime? Charles: Cycletrons' Family Picnic's at BNL Gazebo....Camping, Skiing, Ballroom Dancing ...

T.C.: What is your favorite quote? Charles: Just do it...!!

**T.C.**: If you could give a piece of advice to all riders, what would it be? **Charles**: Ride your own ride and live to ride another day...!!

**T.C.**: Who would like to see in the spotlight next? **Charles**: Frank Dusek.

There are 35 active Cycletrons members. Most still work at BNL. The rest are happily retired, but remain active in the club. With that many members spread out throughout the lab and the community, you could be talking to a fellow member and not know it(unlesstheir focus changes to the distant sound of a cracking throttle). The Member Spotlight is a way to get to meet your fellow Cycletrons. While you may not learn if they like long walks on the beach or reading poetry by the fire, at least you may be able to put the name, to the face, to the bike.



Charles with his baby



2005 Honda VTX 1800N



1983 Yamaha Virago 750 cc

