

# Jack Riepe not dead yet

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**TOMS RIVER, N.J. (MOA) – A LATE-**night ambulance ride saw venerable *Owners News* contributor and irascible K-bike aficionado Jack Riepe deposited in the intensive care unit of Community Medical Center on the evening of 3 December 2015. Perhaps thanks to liberal applications of cigars, coffee and herbal supplements, Riepe continues to avoid “random tours of the morgue,” as he related in a Facebook post on 28 December.

Despite online reviews of the hospital such as, “Community Medical almost killed my brother” and “If you get shot, you’re better off going to a homeless man,” Riepe is still currently alive as of early February 2016. Following a diagnosis of Athlete’s Leprosy, Riepe summoned a young priest and an old priest, plying them with used oil filters and old copies of *Hustler* to “get cracking on something.”

Many of Riepe’s friends expressed disappointment at the diagnosis, as they had other diseases in the betting pool (This writer bet his R 1200 GS on scurvy, in hindsight a grave error, as Riepe’s teeth remain firmly in place).

Riepe moved from the hospital to a rehab center in late January, but remains in quarantine and is not accepting visitors. He says he’s weak, but somehow retains enough energy



to pinch nurses and complain about blood thinners sapping his will to shave. Unconfirmed reports have come in saying he’s already met his next ex-wife in the rehab facility.

Ever aware of his loyal and growing legion of fans, Riepe gave assurances he would resume submitting columns to *Owners News* as soon as possible, sooner if his bedpans start filling up with premium ice cream. When contacted for a reaction to this news item, he coughed roughly, inhaled something deeply, and said, “Tell them the revised ‘cursed’ edition of the second

edition of *Conversations with a Motorcycle* is in the works, and I hope to have its sequel, *Motorcycles Speak Louder Than Words*, available at the rally in New York this summer.”

Riepe received his discharge from the rehab facility and returned home on 3 February. He swears he will straighten up and fly right, just as soon as he gets over being dumped by his former fiancée, Nurse Ratched, who said, “Any man who loves motorcycles more than he loves me has obviously got something seriously wrong with him.” ☺

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