

2001 Billy Lane



CHOPPERS INC. built 26 motorcycles in 2001, and according to the USA certificate of title (see attached), this is more than likely one of them. Turns out though that 2001 was the worst year (until now 2007)) for the company, and quoting Billy Lane himself, "that was a disaster. It almost killed the business" (CHOP FICTION; page 51 ISBN 0-7603-2011-X). The context of those comments suggests that many of the customers, who commissioned CHOPPERS INC. to build their bikes, weren't paying for their bikes and still owe Billy money.

It is my feeling that this bike may well be one of those bikes based on the fact that efforts to contact CHOPPERS INC. and verify the validity of this bike were received with hesitation and stonewalling, to the point of having any mention of the bike on their web page removed, (see screen captures). There is no doubt in my mind that this machine was produced by CHOPPERS INC., but they'll not easily admit it.