

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 06/08/09

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: 45

GUESTS: Julie, Mark, Al, Michelle

MOMENT OF SILENCE

BLESSING: Len Punzel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Luke Stocker

MISSION STATEMENT: Billie Jean Williams

READING OF THE MINUTES: Roger Yarnell

CORRESPONDENCE: E-mail from Don McGuire re: Wildwood Blues Rally July 10-12 in Long Beach, WA. E-mail and flyer promoting Mt. Angel Motorcycle Cruise-In to benefit Friends for Lance, July 11. See flyer on the bar.

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS: ROGER YARNELL

This year's Fossil run was the best weather we can remember. WaCo won largest chapter in attendance and we were presented with a plaque. Lots of our folks volunteers throughout the weekend. Ted Tracy organized an excellent poker run. Kay Sipple even got a hug from the burly cop directing traffic for the Wasco parade.

Roll 'N Ride is coming up on Sunday. Would like to see everyone who's in town come out for that. Thanks to all who have been working to put this run together.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR: JIM HENDERSON

Road Clean-up happened this past Saturday. Thanks to the nine chapter members who showed up and worked hard: Linda Henderson, Roger Yarnell, Sharon Yarnell, Bill Michels, Ted Tracy, Jordan Kelley, Rich Virchow, Margo Virchow, Jim Henderson.

TREASURER: SHARON YARNELL

Deposits: None

Expenses: \$89 to Ann Hatch for Team OR course, \$45.94 to Paul Hering for the Not-So-Ugly Trailer, \$37.50 to Howie Long for Team OR course, \$424.44 to Garment Graphics for travel mugs.

Balance: \$4,000 seed money for EOS, \$290 remaining seed money for the Not-So-Ugly Trailer, Working balance = \$2,576.68.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR: ED VAUGHN

www.Bikepac.com is listing 4 victories at mid-term. The vulnerable road user bill passed. The insurance bill was removed at our request. It would have allowed motorcyclists to ride without a helmet in Oregon with a very large insurance rider for coverage, however, no insurance company will give such a rider. The fine for riding unendorsed was raised, but with our language that allows a

ticketed rider to take a course and get endorsed to have the fine waived. The mandatory training bill language has been changed to include only new riders or riders who are getting endorsed again after a lapse in their license. MRF's Best of the West will happen this coming weekend.

STATE BOARD REP:

ALLAN NICHOLS

No report. State board meeting this coming Saturday, June 13th.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

RICH VIRCHOW

Flyers on the bar for Roll 'N Ride and Mid-Summer Run, as well as yellow pocket cards that list our next 4 events. Upcoming events for other chapters: June 27 Ride Around Saddle Mountain by North Coast chapter.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

CINDY HENDERSON

Members 330

Drawing \$ 229.50

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

TED TRACY

Ted again encouraged everyone to ride carefully and not over their ability. Copies of the MRF Reports are on the bar. If you're not yet a member, please join. There is a good article in there regarding accident fatalities with and without a helmet.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: VACANT

WEBPAGE EDITOR:

ROBERT BEADLE

No report.

QUARTERMASTER:

PAUL HERING

The new Not-So-Ugly Trailer went to Fossil for a test run and did very well. The banner and stickers caught a lot of attention. Hope to see you all at the Roll 'N Ride this Sunday.

HISTORIAN:

TRACE CECCACCI

Absent.

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

DAVE MEEKER

New chapter travel mugs are available for \$7.00. Had a great time at Fossil. Thanks to everyone for their help and for help at the Swap Meet last week. We will have pins available at the Roll 'N Ride.

WAYS & MEANS:

LUKE STOCKER

Balance \$ 987.00

Buy tickets at break.

RUN COORDINATOR:

LEN PUNZEL

Len will have a box here at every meeting and at every event to collect food for the Washington County Food Bank, the charity we voted to support. Please bring donations. 2 cans of food = 1 door prize ticket. Still need a few volunteers to work checkpoints for the Roll 'N Ride. Need volunteers for EOS to chair the bike games and the kid zone. Please see Len at the break to find out what the responsibilities are for these jobs.

RUN COORDINATOR II:

JOHN KITTSON

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rich V.: The Portland Metro Association of Realtors recently named our own Veta Holscher the 2009 Good Neighbor!

Len P.: Reminds everyone to stay hydrated this summer to prevent heat exhaustion.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME: Monday, June 22, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

50/50 DRAWING: \$41.00 Rick Skaggs

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$229.50 Michael Overton was not present to win.

CHAPTER MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Virchow

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary