

ABATE ST JOE CHAPTER RIVER RIDERS

March 11, 2007 @ Families Together's office in Moscow

MEMBERS and GUESTS PRESENT: Les Burton, Mary Burton, Greg Lounsbury, David Reddekopp, Gary Brown, Betty Cordle, Pete Pfiieffer, Robert Pfiester, Norma Pfiester, Larry and Chris Yockey, Bill Hartman, Steve and Dawn Morton, Rod Clark, Jeff Green, Will Holman, Dan Pierce, Randy Pressnall, Dexter Skomp, Denise Tuten, Chris Curry, (three new members) Denise McCracken, Tim and Barbara Schluneger. 23 Chapter members and two guests.

Les Burton called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm. The February minutes were approved as read.

TREASURERS REPORT: Sue wasn't able to come and Mary forgot to bring the report, it is almost the same as last month.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: We have 40 renewed or new members. With renewal applications coming in daily.

SECRETARY REPORT: Mary passed around the sign up sheet for security, gate and bike show.

HISTORIAN REPORT: Gayle was absent

MEDICAL COORDINATORS REPORT: Cindy was absent

T-SHIRT COMMITTEE: Les said the t-shirt he was offered did not have the right picture on it and he is still trying to find the picture (old school chopper guy). There is a t-shirt maker who will do our shirts cheaper if his advertisement is on the back. Les said we were only going to use the sleeves and front. He will check on the price. Les said he will request an advance from the state for the t-shirts and also for the TOO Broke bands. He reminded everyone last year Jeff paid for one of the bands at TT BROKE and when we repaid him he donated the full amount to the Chapter. (Thanks Jeff!)

WEBMASTER REPORT: Robert Pfiester said to check out the State webpage as all of our runs are on it now. He said our flyers need to be completed by January next year as there have been way too many changes and this causes confusion not to mention the wasted copies. We will start working on runs in November at the latest and have the bands firmed up by the first week in January.

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY OFFICER: No report

CHAPTER CHAPLIN: Not present.

AMBASSADOR AT LARGE: Mike was absent

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Memory Run:** We need lists of deceased Chapter members so plaques can be made. Starts at the Bowling Alley in St. Maries as they appear to be very interested in hosting our runs. Bill is paying for the band, free camping, BBQ and a breakfast at the Kozy Korner.
- **Families Riding for Families:** It was decided to end this run in Bovil at Bovil Days at Baileys Bar. Will will update the flyer and e-mail it to the secretary and Webmaster. The poker stops will be (Colfax/Potlatch/Harvard/Deary and Bovil) also(St. Maries/Emida/Harvard/Deary and Bovil) Chris showed a short video of this worthwhile and caring organization. It was decided to have the cards drawn outside as there may be children attending the Poker run. Raffle tickets will be sold at each stop/ winners of the raffle need not be present to win- we will only

have a few larger items to raffle- Greg and Cindy donated a picture for the raffle which was left at Families Together. Dawn and Steve donated a Harley rocking horse, Harley teddy bear and perhaps a Harley skateboard. It was unanimously decided all 50/50 Chapter meeting funds will be saved to give to Families Together at the end of the Poker Run. Bill Hartman requested the Chapter pay half of the portapotties he has for a full month to cover Bovil days and the Memory run. It was unanimously approved to give Bill a Check for \$47.50. Bill also won the Chapter 50/50 which was \$58 and Bill gave his \$29 back to families together (Thanks Bill!) It was decided Families Together will have a booth at Bovil days for the raffle and shade for the children.

- **Too Broke for Sturgis:** Yockeys are still working on getting Porapotties at the same rate as last year. It was decided not to have a rodeo and to have a poker run like last year. Jason at the Horseshoe (in Troy) said he would open early for the Poker run. Newspaper, tv and radio coverage was suggested.
- **End of the Sun:** Dan Pierce donated saddle bags for the raffle

NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Spring Opener:** *Trophies/Bike Show:* Matt Ihm has volunteered to make all of the second and third place ribbons again. Les, David and Mike Burton are working on the first place trophies. Everyone agreed last years were really great. *Security/Gate:* Les said we have security for 6am to noon on Saturday with our bike show from 10 to noon. Sign ups for Security, rodeo and the gate were passed around and will be at each meeting until the Opener. River City Rouges will be working with our chapter and one of their members has volunteered. *Raffle:* Les said we have Gray Tickets for our raffle and need a large raffle item. *Flyer Board:* A person is needed to keep flyers on the new flyer board during the Spring Opener. Les asked everyone to keep an eye on the board and let us know at the Chapter station if flyers are needed.

OTHER BUSINESS: Dan Pierce gave everyone a rundown of the Moscow Rally and said they may be asking our Chapter to be part of the security team.

ADVERTISING FOR THE CHAPTER/RUNS: The postcards were discussed again and will be put on the November agenda so we will have them for next year. It was unanimous that Chapter members with businesses who wish to advertise on the back of the postcard will have the first chance to do so (above non-members). Les also mentioned pens and several members said they would bring in prices.

WEDDING Dan Crane and Shelly will be getting married May 26th at 11:00 in St. Maries at 586 Shepard Road with a 1:00 ride to St. Regis following. This is rain or shine.

Hiway Clean up is April 14th outside Plummer at 10:00 am.

Les mentioned Kootenai Chapter let him know if our Chapter wishes to send members to the Best of the West (in Elko Nevada June 22-June 25)it would only cost \$100 a Chapter and if anyone is interested see Les after the meeting.

Next meeting will be April 15 in Bovil at Bailey's Bar. Les said everyone would be able to see the Plaque which is already hung there. Meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.