

ABATE, ST JOE CHAPTER, RIVER RIDERS

October 14, 2007 in Plummer @ Gateway Restaurant following the Highway clean up
MEMBERS and GUESTS PRESENT: Les Burton, Mary Burton, Sue Heminger, Mike Aldinger, Larry Yockey, Chris Yockey, Pete and Patrice Pfeiffer, Chris Leitz, Gary Brown, Denise McCracken, Moose, Dawn Bennett, Barbara Schluneger, Robert and Norma Pfister, Bootmaker.

Les Burton called the meeting to order at noon. The September minutes were approved with the correction we were in St. Regis, not Elk River.

TREASURERS REPORT: Sue said we have \$** in checking and \$** in Savings. This was Sue's last meeting as Treasurer and we wish to thank her for her excellent work for the last few years.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: We have 80 new/renewed members.

SECRETARY REPORT: Mary said she had no report

HISTORIAN REPORT: absent

MEDICAL COORDINATORS REPORT: absent

T-SHIRT COMMITTEE: It was decided on t-shirts with one-pocket and ladies tank tops.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Bob said he had no report

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY OFFICER: absent

AMBASSADOR AT LARGE: absent

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Xmas in St. Maries:** Low gear has a lead on a long trailer. Les said to get in touch with Norman or Greg to see if we can rent or borrow the trailer for the parade.
- **State Meeting:** Moose said these are the elected State Officers: (Coordinator-Moose) Deputy Coordinator-Chuck Gilmore (Membership Secretary-Pauline Durst) Treasurer- Debbie Harper (Sergeant at Arms-Don Graham) and Secretary -Mary Burton-write in nominations. Mary declined this position.
- **Log Dog Patches:** Les said the 10 patches are in and if anyone wishes one, please see Greg Lounsbury.
- **Member of the Year:** Les will try again to get in touch with Matt Ihm to see if he would be interested in making the leather frames for this award.
- **Highway Clean up:** 13 people showed up and 29 bags of litter were collected.

NEW BUSINESS

- Next years tentative run dates were presented. Les needs to check on the date of Bovil days and will discuss these dates at the November meeting.
- Additional nominations were: Dennis McCracken for Treasurer, Chris and Norma declined the nomination for Treasurer and Norma declined the nomination for Membership Secretary.
- Xmas party: It was decided to have the Xmas party in St. Maries at either the Elks or Eagles lodges. Mary will look into the possibility of the Chapter renting the guest houses a block from these Lodges for our members who don't want to drive home. We will have a band and the Chapter will pay for the meat (Turkey and Ham) and the members will bring the side dishes. Dennis McCracken will be in charge of the dinner. This will all be discussed at the November meeting. Members will get into the dance free by showing their membership cards and the public can gain entrance for \$5 each or \$7.50 a couple.

- The 50/50 was \$42 with \$21 going to the winner Robert Pfiester.
- Les said he attended the N-COM meeting a few weeks ago, which is for all Motorcycle Clubs in Region one. Attending were delegates from California and Oregon and other western States. After the meeting everyone gathered at a local bar in Spokane at which time, Les and Bootmaker were asked by ATF, US Marshals other law enforcement to show their drivers license. They were not hassled farther after both their police records were clean. The original problem was Les and Boot maker's bikes were parked in a handicap parking spot. Bootmaker is handicapped and has handicapped license tags on his bike. Les passed out a card (received at the N-COM meeting), which can be carried in your leathers or wallet, which outlines the rights of motorcyclists. We cannot be discriminated on the basis of clothes or club affiliation.
- A vote was taken to decide the Deputy Coordinator position and Larry Yockey had 8 votes and Greg Lounsbury had four.

Chapter Officers for 2008 are:

- Coordinator: Les Burton
- Deputy Coordinator: Larry Yockey
- Secretary: Mary Burton
- Treasurer: Dennis McCracken
- Membership Secretary: Chris Yockey
- Sergeant at Arms: Chris Leitz
- Ambassador at Large: Robert Pfiester

Les adjourned this meeting at 12:35. Next meeting-Sunday 11/14/07 @ noon, in St. Maries at Chris Leitz house. Mary will call or e-mail everyone with the address and Chris will put out a sign.