

# Kootenai Road Dogs

## Meeting Minutes

April 03, 2008

Coordinator Dale Ohrt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

18 members and 3 guests attended. Quorum requirements met.

Dave Cazel introduced guest from the Spokesman Review reporter Barbara Lund. The Spokesman will cover the Motorcycle Awareness month and parade.

The Chapter current Membership is 30+ renewals in process

-> Membership renewals are due March 01, 2008 = NOW!!

Dan Ertz reported that Mark Choquett was sick, but expected to be at the road cleanup with his renewal.

### Secretary's Report:

The March minutes were read and accepted, with one correction by Dan Ertz.

### The Treasurers' Report:

#### Guest Speaker:

Joel Arnoldi, Hoodoo Coordinator and MRF State Rep., gave an update on Debbie Harper's illness. Joel reported the MRF 'Best of the West' will be held June 13th to 15th at the Red Lion Inn in Vancouver, WA. Joel will be seated on the MRF Board. Joel read an article from USA Today promoting a national helmet law, where the research was based upon faulty statistics. Joel reported the head of the DOT was 'redirected' away from using funds for promoting helmet laws.

### Safety & Training:

Dan Ertz, Safety & Education Information Person (SEIP) for the Chapter, reported planning for the April 12 Motorcycle Check was well underway at Lawrence's. Dan circulated the Check List form and the event flyer. Dan cautioned all riders to be vigilant about inattentive cell phone users. Dan cautioned riders to be alert for sand and loose gravel during springtime.

**Legislative Activity:** The Idaho Legislative session concluded this last week with no contentious legislation, although the Governor is expected to sign a bill doubling vehicle registration fees. It has been reported in the paper that Kootenai County may likely become an EPA non attainment area, requiring biannual vehicle emissions testing.

### Runs & Events:

- April 05 NW Classics April Fool's Day Run in St. Maries; 509-922-9665  
[www.nwclassicismotorcycleclub.com](http://www.nwclassicismotorcycleclub.com) Phil 509-922-9665
- April 06 Abate State meeting in Moscow; Moose 208-245-2320
- April 12 Hoodoo & Kootenai Highway Cleanup; Dave 208-765-3527
- Apr. 26 America's Kids Run—Spokane WA. [www.spokanebiker.com](http://www.spokanebiker.com) meet at McDonalds Post Falls @ 6:00 am;
- Apr. 26 Hoodoo Hippies—Anniversary Run Joel 208-704-5517
- Apr. 27 11<sup>th</sup> Annual White Pines Run—CDA Id. Pastor Ernie 208-762-3943
- May 03** ABATE Motorcycle Awareness Day Run, CDA; Pastor
- NW Classics Show & Swap Meet, Cataldo; Bootmaker 509-294-1249, Bob 509-624-9748
- May 10** Kootenai Road Dogs 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Freedom Run, Bill 208-6741, Dale 208 762 2364;

May 11 Hoodoo Blood Drive @Spirit Lake; Joel 208-704-5517  
 May 17th One Eyes Annual Rum Run - Rathdrum  
 Bryce or Julie 208-687-1926  
 May 30th Roadhouse Cycles Open House, Spring Swap Meet & Party  
 Scott 208-457-1150 [www.rdhse.com](http://www.rdhse.com)  
 May 31st Roadhouse Cycles Open House, Spring Swap Meet & Party

### JUNE

June 6th ABATE of North Idaho Spring Opener  
 Moose 208-245-2320 Chuck 208-476-0189  
 June 7th ABATE of North Idaho Spring Opener  
 June 8th ABATE of North Idaho Spring Opener  
 June 13-15<sup>th</sup> MRF Best of the West, Vancouver, WA Joel, 208 704 5517  
 June 14th 7th Annual 1000 Mile Lunch Ride  
 Pastor Ernie 208-762-3943  
 June 15th 11th Annual Fathers Day No Wimps Ride  
 Pastor Ernie 208-762-3943 [www.independentchristianbikers.com](http://www.independentchristianbikers.com)  
 June 21st Hoodoo Hippies POW/MIA RUN  
 Joel 208-704-5517  
 June 22nd Hauser Lions Ride for Sight

### Old Business:

#### Chapter Bylaw Change –

Dale reported the Chapter Bylaw change passed last meeting has been incorporated.

**Article 5, Section 5 currently states;** *“Due to conflict of interest, no member who is an active member of a motorcycle club may hold an officer position”.*

Our chapter voted to revise our by-law as follows:

***“..... any active members belonging to a motorcycle club or organization may hold a chapter office position as long as a conflict of interest does not become apparent. When conflict of interest becomes apparent, (that an appointed committee has agreed on), the officer will be asked to step down from the elected position.”***

#### State Bylaw Proposals –

Dale read the slightly re-worded proposal to the State Bylaws

**Article 3, Section 2.7 states;** *The State Coordinator, Deputy State Coordinator, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Membership Secretary, State Ambassador-at-Large, and each Chapter Representative shall have voting powers at all Board of Director meetings. Vote by proxy will not be recognized.*

The chapter would like the article to read;

***“The State coordinator, Deputy State Coordinator, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Membership Secretary, State Ambassador-at-Large, and each Chapter Representative shall have voting powers at all Board of Director meetings. Vote by proxy will be recognized with a properly written authorization statement.”***

- A motion was made, seconded, and carried to submit the modified Proposal to the April State meeting.
- The April State meeting will be held Sunday, 04/06/08 at the Mark 4 in Moscow.
- **Highway Cleanup** – Dave Cazel is the Kootenai project captain for the April 12 event. Start time is 10:00 am. The lunch following the event will be at Lingerlongers in Spirit Lake. It was agreed we

will pay for Lingerlongers to buy burgers, sausages, etc. Sandi will do the call tree for the pot luck stuff.

- **Motorcycle Safety Check** – Dan Ertz reported that Lucky is ready for the event on April 12, between 11:00 and 4:00 pm. Dan is placing ads in the Nickel's Worth; Paul made & distributed 50 flyers to Lucky. Dan circulated the Inspection Check list. Dan will have the ABATE forms at the event.
- **Awareness Run** – Dave reported is working with Norman on the May 03 Run. The run leaves Lucky's at 11:00 am. .
- **Freedom Run**- Bill passed out flyers for the May 10 run. Bill circulated a sign-up sheet for volunteer help at the 5 run stops & collected several more volunteers for check point activities.

**New Business:**

Dale noted the "Best of the West" will be June 13 to 15 in Vancouver WA. We will request \$ funding from the State to cover all Chapter attendees. Joel circulated a sign up list.

**Open Forum:**

**Holiday Fund Raffle:**

A very nice motorcycle unframed photo was won by Ann Ohrt.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

The next meeting will be May 01, 2008.

Paul Riess, Secretary