

Kootenai Road Dogs

Meeting Minutes

May 01, 2008

Deputy Coordinator Bill Rickett called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

11 members and 2 guests attended. Quorum requirements met.

A round of introductions was conducted.

The Chapter current Membership is 50 with some renewals in process
Membership renewals are due March 01, 2008 = NOW!!

Secretary's Report:

The March minutes were read and accepted.

The Treasurers' Report:

Guest Speaker:

None

Safety & Training:

Dan Ertz, Safety & Education Information Person (SEIP) for the Chapter, summarized a safety article in Friction Zone, regarding the need to have authorized police control traffic at intersections when group riding. Voluntary traffic controllers are not legal and hazardous.

Legislative Activity: Tim Herzog reported the Idaho Legislative session concluded with no contentious legislation. The bill doubling vehicle registration fees was not implemented this year. It has been reported in the paper that Kootenai County may likely become an EPA non attainment area, requiring biannual vehicle emissions testing.

Awareness: Dave Cazel reported the Spokesman Review will run an article on motorcycle Awareness in the Saturday magazine section in the Valley and Post Falls editions.

Runs & Events:

- May 03** ABATE Motorcycle Awareness Day Run, CDA; Pastor Norm
NW Classics Show & Swap Meet, Cataldo; Bootmaker 509-294-1249, Bob 509-624-9748
- May 10** **Kootenai Road Dogs 17th 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 30-31st Roadhouse Cycles Open House, Spring Swap Meet & Party; **Kootenai Chapter to have info/sign-up tent**; Scott 208-457-1150 www.rdhse.com

JUNE

- June 6-8th ABATE of North Idaho Spring Opener; Harvard, ID
Moose 208-245-2320 Chuck 208-476-0189
- June 11th Ride with the Wall; Spokane Valley to Moses Lake;
- June 12 -15th Veterans Tribute Rally; Moses Lake; CVMA, Pat Payne 509-599-0574
- June 13-15th 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 21st Hoodoo Hippies POW/MIA RUN Joel 208-704-5517

June 22nd Hauser Lions Ride for Sight

July

July 19th 8th Annual Ride for Life; 10 Start locations! 10:00 leave; \$20 pp; Dan Ertz, 208-659 8499

Old Business:

- The April State meeting was held Sunday, 04/06/08 in Moscow. Bill reported a Bylaw Committee was appointed to evaluate the several bylaw proposals.
- **Highway Cleanup** – Dave Cazel, the Kootenai project captain for the April 12 event, reported 24 volunteers from Kootenai and Hoodoo gathered 40 bags of trash. The pot luck lunch following the event at Linger Longers in Spirit Lake went well.
- **Motorcycle Safety Check** – Dan reported the April 12 Motorcycle Check went well at Lawrence's. Dan reported 30 bikes were inspected, with low tire pressure and tire wear were the predominate corrections. Lucky got several tire replacement orders. Dan will submit the invoice for Nickel's Worth ads.
- **Awareness Run** – Dave reported he 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. He circulated a sign-up sheet for volunteer help at the 5 run stops & collected several more volunteers for check point activities. The new, Lone Wolf Harley shop was added to the list of stops. Susan Taylor will coordinate the 'call tree' for pot luck dishes for Lucky's at the end of the ride BBQ.

New Business:

- Bill noted the MRF "Best of the West" will be June 13 to 15 in Vancouver WA. The State ABATE will reimburse the Chapter \$100 funding to cover all attendees. The sign up list, to date, includes: Dave Cazel, Tom Taylor, Ron & Belinda Carson. The Secretary will submit the list of names and payment to MRF.
- Bill handed out 6 complimentary passes for the Spring Opener.
- A signup sheet for Spring Opener gate & security duty was circulated. The assignments:
Gate noon -2 Dale Orht/Bill Rickett; Gate 2- 4 Rich Wharton/ ; Gate 4- 6 P Riess/S. Taylor
Security noon- 2 R Carson/B Carson; Security 2- 4 D Ertz/T Reynolds; Secur 4-6 T Taylor/B Rickett
- Bill read a letter from Chuck Coulter at ICMS where it was suggested ABATE NI could honor Ron Shepard with a plaque to be displayed in the STAR program office. Bill will discuss the issue with the State Coordinator.
- Denise Mills said she is preparing for this fall's 'Dogging' program. In discussion, enlarging the dogging to emphasize Toys for Tots fund raising and 'dog' multiple homes in a block for the purpose of getting wider publicity.
- Dan Ertz handed out flyers for the July 19 'Ride for Life' run.

Open Forum:

Holiday Fund Raffle:

A new American flag, provided by Bill Rickett of Independent Christian Bikers, was won by Paul Riess. . The flag was left in place at the Iron Horse.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.

The next meeting will be June 05, 2008.

Paul Riess, Secretary