

**Yerba Buena Chapter
Antique Motorcycle Club of America**



Nov. 4, 2015 Minutes

Meeting called to order, club officers in attendance: 7:20 pm. All officers in attendance.

New Members/Guests in attendance: None.

Correspondence: None.

Treasurer's update: Treasurer Jeff Beam detailed income, expenses and current balance.

Old Business:

• **Review of Oct. activities:**

- **10/11: Club ride to Tamales Bay.** Kalle Hoffman provided a report. The ride departed from San Francisco as planned. The ultimate destination was Tony's Seafood on Tomales Bay. Following the scenic route, they arrived at Tony's about 2 ½ hours later. Some riders met the group at Tony's. They had a great turnout, with 25-30 bikes ultimately arriving in the parking lot. They enjoyed a quick lunch, then headed back South toward the Golden Gate Bridge. The Blue Angels were performing that day and the group decided to pull off into one of the parking lots near the end of the bridge. They were quickly roused by a(n) (over)zealous Park Ranger. So they headed across the bridge and stopped at Crissy Field to watch the Air Show. All in all, it was a great ride – everyone made it home safe.
- **10/28: The Board of Directors** met at Advanced Welding on 28 October. Topics of discussion included lessons learned from the Road Run (possible improvements for our next Road Run in four years), new members interested in becoming involved in club leadership, and our annual holiday party.

▪ **Road Run Lessons Learned**

- > Victor Boocock provided a list of lessons learned, mostly addressing recommendations for the next iteration of the Yosemite Road Run (which would be in 8 years).
 - First, the map for Day 1 had an error in Yosemite Valley. The road that loops through the Valley is one-way in a counter-clockwise direction. Our map, and the accompanying route sheet, showed clockwise travel. Everyone who participated seemed to figure it out, but it should be corrected for next time.
 - The Day 2 ride was too long for many riders, so participation that day was low. Many riders came up with alternate rides for that day. A possible might be to do lunch in the parking lot between Tuolumne Meadows and Tioga Pass or in Lee Vining. Then return back on Hwy 120 to Smith Station Rd., turn left toward Coulterville, turn right on Hwy 49, then turn right on Hwy 120 to return to camp.
 - He recommended the Day 3 route be changed to eliminate Wards Ferry Rd. A lot of riders found this road to be very intimidating. His

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recommendation is to follow the existing route to the lunch stop in Columbia, then continue on Parrots Ferry Rd. to Hwy 4. Turn left on Hwy 4 to Copperopolis, left turn on O'Byrnes Rd., left turn on Hwy 108, then right turn on Hwy 120 to return to camp.

- Since we had so many breakdowns, he recommended two trouble trucks.
- Victor showed us a nice hard-copy book of photos from an antique automobile run in Alturas. The organizer of that event used an online service to compose the pictures and captions and then had a book printed for each participant. Something we might want to look into for our next Road Run – could make it an extra-cost option for people who would like one. Apparently Apple has a similar service available.

> Joe Keenan also discussed the large number of breakdowns.

- He recommended two trouble trucks as well.
- He rode in the trouble truck all three days as the observer/helper and he found it to be exhausting. The days were very long and he missed out on a lot of the in-camp activities. He recommended that no one should drive or ride the trouble truck more than one day.
- He also brought up the registration process and the amount of manual data entry required as entries are received.

> Kalle Hoffman knows how to automate this process for entries submitted using the online method. He will help set this up next time. Paper entries will still need to be handled manually, but the majority of entries are electronic – the percentage of electronic entries should be even higher in four years.

> Mark Wiebens reportedly has a trailer that will accommodate 8 bikes, and reportedly has indicated he would be willing to bring it to the next Road Run.

> All agreed we need more people to handle check-in and on-site registration at the event. We should have enough volunteers so that no one should have to spend more than a couple of hours manning the check-in table.

> Don Z. will archive all the Route Sheets, Maps and Lessons Learned.

▪ **Engaging New Members in Club Leadership**

> Brian Davis noted that we have new members eager to serve the club by becoming Board Members and/or filling other slots (e.g., Newsletter Editor). He recommended amending the Chapter Bylaws to allow additional BOD slots, keeping the currently specified four as the minimum. The BOD concurred and Brian took the action to obtain the Bylaws and draft the changes.

> The BOD filled the long-vacant Newsletter Editor slot by appointing Don Z. Don was in attendance and accepted the position.

▪ **Annual Holiday Party**

> The BOD discussed putting on a real party in January, including live music. The Bayview Boat Club was suggested as a good venue. The 49 Mile Ride started and ended here for several years and we have some

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connections with them. Proposed dates for the party are either 23 January or 30 January 2016. The BOD agreed to provide \$600 to Chris Carter to cover door prizes.

▪ **Other Discussion**

- > Mario DiSalvo will look into new club hats with the YB Speedball logo on the front. Benito Mendoza will check with vendors as well.
- > Mario also suggested we have a club campout next year. He suggested Cotillion Garden (home base for our 5-Chapter Ride in 2014) as the venue, date to be sometime after school is back in session. All BOD members agreed we should plan this for next year.

• **New Business:**

- Review of proposed changes to Chapter Bylaws (Secretary)
 - Brian Davis reviewed proposed changes to the Chapter Bylaws and asked for comments, suggestions and/or objections.
 - Joe Keenan noted that the Bylaws allow Spouses to be added to a membership for an additional \$5, but we've actually been allowing any family member to be added. He suggested we change the Bylaws to allow any ONE family member to become a member for the additional \$5. Brian acknowledged this suggestion and stated he would include that change.
 - Changes are to be voted on at Dec. meeting
- Nominations and elections for 2016 Club Officers

Club Secretary Brian Davis discussed nominations and elections. Our bylaws, and the National Policies and Procedures, require us to conduct our election at the September meeting. Brian was not aware of this, and we did not hold our elections as required. We are planning to modify the Chapter Bylaws to allow more elected positions. These changes would affect the election and they can't be approved until the December meeting. Jeff Beam proposed we delay the election until the December meeting since we're already out of compliance. This suggestion was seconded and approved. The election of club officers will take place after the vote on Bylaw changes at the December meeting.

Brian Davis asked for additional nominations, none were received. Our Chapter By-Laws require the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary to be elected for two-year terms. The President and Secretary positions are to be elected one year and the Vice President and Treasurer positions are to be elected the next year such that only half of the officers may change in one year. We have somehow gotten out of sequence such that only the Vice President position is open for election this year. Brian suggested that Jeff Beam be nominated for a new two-year term beginning in 2016 to rebalance the staggered election of officers. Jeff accepted the nomination.

Current Nominations:

- Vice President:
 - Rick Najera (incumbent)
- Treasurer:
 - Jeff Beam (incumbent)
- BOD (2 2-year positions open to serve through 2017, 1 replacement position open, to serve through 2016):
 - Clay Hudson

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- Brian Stearns (incumbent)
- Vince Spadaro (incumbent)
- Ken Brostko
- Road Captain South: Benito Mendoza (incumbent)

Current through 2016

- President: Curt Hansen
- Secretary: Brian Davis
- BOD: Vacant
- BOD: Rick Rutledge

Additional Nominations?

- None

• **Upcoming Dates:**

- 12/2: Club Meeting
- 12/13: Club Ride – meet in Princeton for lunch @ 11:00 am

For the good of the club, Club items on sale, Motion to Adjourn, 50/50: