



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

Minutes of the General Meeting

December 2, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President, Rick Najera, via Zoom. There were 12 members present at the start of the meeting and two more who showed as the meeting progressed. All four club officers were in attendance. Jeff Beam, Treasurer, stated there were now 81 members for 2020 with three renewals already in for 2021. He further explained that he had sent 85 invites to join the new email platform, "groups.io", and has had 46 members sign up to date. (Further comment on this later in the meeting.) He finished by stating that the club is in good financial order.

Old Business:

Oyster Ride (November 15, 2020) Paul Thomas, North Bay Road Captain, reported that it was a good ride. There were some new guys who Ricky knows from Oakland and the Sunset District; they are national members and will hopefully join our chapter soon. Ricky told us that his bike caught fire but that he was able to restart it and keep it running. Riders concurred that the roads were excellent and it would be good to do the same outing earlier in the summer, as the oysters are available then, too. Paul suggested we could lengthen the ride next time and take the coast highway north to the Russian River road and then cut over to 101 to head south. He also mentioned an informal ride this Friday, 12/4, to Bodega Bay. Brian Davis to post this ride on the website.

Hatt's 21st Annual Toy Run (November 28, 2020) Four riders left San Francisco to head to north bay (Ricky Najera, Mario DiSalvo, Chris and Vince Spadaro) for this memorial ride. Mario said it was a bit of a "stand around and wait" event but it was still a good outing. Ricky explained that his bike broke down near San Quinten and he was helped by a guy with a monster truck who was able to get Rick's bike off the freeway. Jack Clark was kind enough to come with his truck and give Rick and his bike a ride home. Vince relayed that once they got to the funeral grounds there was good attendance. Once it warmed up, it was sunny all day. He recounted that the ride had a procession in Novato and ended with various speakers talking about Brett's life. The memorial was held outdoors and they were able to pull it off despite the pandemic.

New Business:

Swap Meet this coming Sunday (12/6) at the West Wind Sacramento drive-in.

New Email Forum Jeff Beam set up our new email group. He reported that some tried to join instead of reply to the invite, but eventually most got in. He said that 23 members didn't join groups.io and Vince volunteered to phone these guys to make sure we've got the right contact info on them. Jeff to email the 23 names to Vince.

New Year's Day Ride Mario noted that so far there are eight riders for this outing. It will start at the diner in Los Gatos for breakfast and head towards Watsonville for lunch with our Road Run caterer. Mario will send another notice via groups.io to see if we can get a few more bikers to join.

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Crab Ride It was agreed that this is just too hard to coordinate given our current Covid restrictions. After the new year, we'll see if we can organize something. Joe Keegan reminded us that crab season usually ends in April, so we would have the first three months with which to work.

Holiday Party Again, this is not going to happen in our standard way. Maybe we do a picnic later in the year, possibly in a park. We'll just have to hold off for now.

Dixon Rick commented, that as it stands now, Dixon is on. But everyone has to wait and see. We won't really know if it goes forward until the virus is under control.

Upcoming Dates:

Board of Directors Meeting (Dec. 16) It was agreed that no meeting is required at this time.

Good of the Club

Ricky relayed that Manny had a run in with a car on his bike two weeks ago. His bike is wrecked and he did damage to his lower leg. He is in a wheel chair now but healing well. Members suggested sending a card but then realized the difficult logistics of doing that with Covid. Chris Carter proposed a "ride by" and it was agreed we would set this up as Manny feels better and is up to it.

Rick Rutledge told the group that he is going in for aortal replacement shortly. His recovery will be seven weeks and we all wished him well.

Mario offered AMCA magazines from long ago that he's cleaning out. Ricky recommended that Mario bring them to Dixon and hand them out for free.

Brian Davis announced that he has updated the club's website and it is ready now for 2021 renewals.

Victor Boocock ended the meeting with what he called his "Cannonball Ditty," some prose he wrote while riding his 1914 Harley across country in that event.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. Next general meeting will be February 3, 2021. Notes submitted by Sue Booth.