



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

**Minutes of the General Meeting**

**January 6, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. via Zoom by President, Rick Najera. There were 16 members present, which included all four club officers. Jeff Beam, Treasurer, stated that he had sent the year end list of 85 verified members to National. He also explained that he was filing the annual financial form for 2020 to the California Secretary of State. He told us that he has 32 members paid up for 2021. Vince Spadaro mentioned that he got a list from Jeff of 30 or so members who needed to be contacted regarding joining the groups.io format. Vince reported that he had spoken with 20 or so of those and that they were supposed to be contacting Jeff to join the format. Jeff informed us that he had indeed heard from many of them and that they are now on the email list. He finished by stating that the club is in good financial order.

Since there was no formal agenda for this meeting, the following summarizes our discussion.

Ricky opened with the information that Mecum has changed their auction date from January to the end of April due to the Covid restrictions currently in place in Nevada. It will now be at the Convention Center, not the Southpoint Hotel. Ricky went on to explain that the AMCA National calendar has everything listed as “go” but, in fact, it will still all depend on the virus and whether things open up or not.

Mark Longshore reported that he had gone on a ride with the “Mellow Riders” recently and that they went on a great road out of San Juan Bautista. It was up a mountain and ended with terrific views. He stated it would be a good destination for our club someday.

Mario DiSalvo told about his ride with the Pat Moran group on New Year’s Day. They went north towards Pacifica and he rode a new route back behind Half Moon Bay, one he’d never been on. They ended up at the Costanoan south of Pescadero on Highway 1 for lunch. He also recommended that as a possible club ride.

John Basile, a new member, introduced himself and the group welcomed him.

Chris Carter relayed information about a three-day event that is tentatively scheduled for October up at Santa Rosa Fairgrounds. It is being put together by a guy who contacted Chris about getting some antique motorcycles as part of the weekend. This guy has done races before, (e.g., an April 2020 Professional Short Track event). The proposal for the fall would include a swap meet on Saturday, October 30, a road run that same day, races on Saturday and Sunday, a ride on the Friday morning, rock bands throughout the weekend and demo rides. Yerba Buena members responded with interest about being part of this, so Chris confirmed that he would gather a few members to meet with this guy as the date gets closer.

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Vince Spradaro announced that he had spoken to Manny and Manny is doing well. He says that the Harley is fixable. Mario also conveyed that he had spoken to Manny a couple weeks ago and Manny had lots to talk about. Everyone was relieved that Manny is mending.

Vince also mentioned that he had spoken with Joe Keenan and Joe reported making progress on the Indians he had gotten from Norm Beam. There were then a couple of good stories from several members about bikes purchased and restored.

Chris Carter stated that the SFO International Terminal will have an exhibit displaying fourteen pre-teens bikes. It's free to tour, beginning in February, and goes for about a year. Chris is going to try to organize an outing to view these bikes and he will get dates to us.

Mark Wiebens reported that Dixon is still being planned for April, but that they haven't gotten approval for the venue yet; Covid is holding things up.

Ed Coughlin relayed a possible event, also hopefully in April, that happens in Plymouth, CA (up by Jackson). It's been held for 35 years and involves antique trucks. Members showed interest in attending this if it happens.

Mark Longshore stated that there is the Fred Stoke Ranch north of Santa Rosa which has the largest collection of oil memorabilia. The owner used to make custom '34 Ford pickups. Some members recalled being there for the Hatt wedding. It's on the Old Redwood Highway and, sadly, there was a fire there in 2016 which burned 14 historic vehicles. The current collection, however, is very eclectic and well worth seeing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. Next general meeting will be February 3, 2021. Notes submitted by Sue Booth.