



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

**Minutes of the General Meeting**

**March 13, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m. by President, Rick Najera. We met at Pacific Shores in Redwood City by the bay. There were 20 members present, which included three club officers (Treasurer was absent). Brian Davis, Vice President, relayed from Jeff Beam that there were now 50 members paid for 2021 and that the club is in good financial standing. A few members present stated that they wanted to pay their memberships in person, so Brian Davis instructed them to pay him after the meeting and he would get their dues to the Treasurer.

There was no formal agenda for this meeting, so the following summarizes our discussion.

Mark Wiebens announced that the date for the Dixon meet was moved to August 28/29. The original June date of the Dixon event was being held up by the CHP (25% capacity to meet COVID limits). Subsequently, the August 28 date collided with Born Free in Southern California, so Fort Sutter moved their date again to Labor Day weekend. If they don't get 50% of normal sign-up for that date, they will rethink holding the event altogether. Mark stated that it's hard to change the date and that the chapter can't afford to go so far in the red because of the virus. It's better to wait until next year and be fiscally sound.

Ricky stated that the ISHI chapter will hold their swap meet on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Many members indicated that they would be going.

The Utah run is still on. They have 150 sign ups so far.

Chris Carter mentioned that two weeks ago he went on the "Thursday Run" (Pat Moran's group) thru the Coastal Range and ended up in Loma Mar. Mario DiSalvo added that he went on the run two days ago and enjoyed it. They explained that it's an informal group that meets across from Alice's on Skyline every other week at 10 am. The next ride will be on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Victor Boocock shared that he ended up at the Costanoa Lodge with his his wife recently. Mario added that, in fact, the Friday group had stopped there recently and what a good lunch spot it was.

Brad Booth offered that he had found a possible club meeting place at Auto Vino in Menlo Park. There is a concession that serves food outside (pizza and burgers) with an amazing car collection inside (exotics and vintage—very eclectic). Brad had talked with the food service owner who said he would be willing to stay late on a Wednesday to do food for Yerba Buena. They have tables set up under a tent so it would be Covid safe for our members. Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, will be a scouting trip for any member that wants to have lunch at Auto Vino and see if this would work for club meetings.

Chris Carter offered his shop in Redwood City for any meetings or gatherings in the future that the Club might hold. As more members get their vaccines, things can more readily get back to where we were. Eight members present indicated that they had their vaccines.

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Ricky Najera reminded us all that an informal swap meet was coming this Sunday on March 21<sup>st</sup> on Van Dyke St. in San Francisco. Set up is free and space is “no fee”.

Hanford Swap Meet is coming on May 14 and 15 (Brian Davis to email info).

Victor reported that he was on the road through La Honda earlier today and there was a Harley parked on the side of the road. The handlebars looked bent and there was a gash in the road. Looked like maybe a 1950s bike. He was curious if anyone knew what had happened and who the owner might be.

Brad Booth wanted to know if anyone knew who bought the 841 that was up in the hills near La Honda. He knows it was recently sold, but doesn't know to whom. Ricky replied that he could find out. Brad said he's getting ready to start the restoration on his 841 and was hoping to find one nearby to look at.

Chris Carter reminded us of the exhibit that is currently on display at the International Terminal at SFO. He said that the San Francisco Motorcycle Club did a tour a few weeks ago and reported it was 15 worthwhile bikes. The idea of meeting at the airport, seeing the bikes and then doing a ride appealed to all present. Chris and Mario to set up a date, probably sometime mid-April.

Mario DiSalvo stated that he can put dates for future rides on the Club chat board. He's thinking of one near Half Moon Bay, one over on the Mt. Hamilton road and one more in the east bay. All members should watch for his postings.

Brian Davis welcomed two of the new members present and asked them to please introduce themselves. Gary Olivera was born in Fremont and lives in Niles. He used to ride with Steve Brown. He has a 2000 Road King but is looking for something more vintage. Darby Beetham recently moved to San Rafael and has a 2004 Dyna. He also has a '49 Panhead that he bought three years ago from Steve Barber who restored it. Darby has his history in road racing on the western U.S. circuit. Both were given a warm welcome to the Club.

Manny Fernandez was given a round of applause for making it to the meeting. All members sang him Happy Birthday.

Jack Clark reminded everyone he brought club t-shirts to sell.

Meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Next general meeting will be held April 7, 2021.

Notes submitted by Sue Booth, Secretary