



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

Minutes of the General Meeting

July 2, 2025

Twenty-two members were present tonight at this meeting that was called to order by President, Rick Najera, at 7:03 p.m. All four club officers attended.

Chris Smith, Treasurer, reported an expense for t-shirts last month, but stated that the club remains in good financial standing.

There was no membership report. (John Basile was absent.)

Old Business

Sacramento Swap Meet, June 8 Benito Mendoza relayed that walk-in traffic for this was minimal, probably because there was a car show nearby that people went to instead.

Dixon Swap Meet, June 13-14 Rick explained that this event was OK but it had a low attendance. Jack Clark added that he did well on t-shirts (approximately \$700). Rick had a good story about someone asking for larger size club tees (2X, 3X and 5X). By the time Rick was able to address this individual, the shirts had been pilfered. Later in the day, Rick found the 3X and 5X back at the far end of the table; in summary, only a couple 2X shirts were stolen. Rick was also able to fob off his Aermacchi Chimera to some kid who was ecstatic to get it for free and pushed it away gladly. And lastly, Yerba Buena paid for half of the cost of the complimentary dinner Thursday night put on by Fort Sutter.

Oregon Trail Road Run Mark Wiebens announced that this was an excellent event. The rides were great with really nice people. It rained only on the last day. They got to see Tim's shop which has old Harleys from 1908-1950s-- almost one of every year. Manny Fernandez was impressed that at some stop, a Mexican restaurant just opened up and the guy offered anything on the menu (it wasn't a pre-arranged thing). It was a very classy place where the food was super. Stan noted that Yerba Buena had the most riders present (after the Oregon Chapter, of course) which is commendable. Thankfully, everyone returned home with no issues.

Born Free Rick mentioned that Ryan Grossman won a trip to Japan at this event with his bike called "Second Chance"—a salvaged motorcycle out of the Paradise fire. This was a well-deserved honor as he spent so much time getting this thing back from being a wreckage.

New Business

Hollister Benito informed us that this event is constantly changing. The bike show has been shut down as the organizer didn't want to pay for security. On Saturday July 5th, the downtown

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streets will be blocked off for bikes only. Nobody knows where the vendors will go yet; this thing changes daily but Benito is staying on top of it.

Scott's Valley Motorcycle Show, July 26 Chris Carter let us know that this is usually a great show (this is the third year) with all kinds of bikes and very well-organized. It was pointed out that this is also the day of the Chopper Show in Hollister at Bolado Park.

Nostalgia Days Novato, October 10 This is a vintage vehicle show put on in downtown Novato. John Neuenburg, an AMCA member, is again suggesting (he approached us last year) that Yerba Buena attend, maybe even have it be the end destination of a club ride. It is supposed to be a pretty good show and great potential for promoting our club. Ricky volunteered to contact Paul Thomas (North Bay Road Captain) and see if there is interest in this outing.

Upcoming Dates

Wauseon, July 17-20

Sturgis, August 1-10

Turlock Swap Meet, September 21

For the Good of the Club Brad Booth reported on Reggie Sherma: "he shows constant seizure activity, has no sign of recognizing his brother, and is now in ICU." Not a good outlook. Brad also mentioned that he finished his 841 Indian. He's thankful that it didn't go into production in the 40s as we would have lost the war—"it was a beast to complete."

Rick introduced some new faces: Joe Walker, Phil Junior, Jim Barron and Hadj. Greg Knudler also received warm welcomes at this, his third meeting.

50/50 Raffle No raffle was held.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. Next general meeting will be held September 3rd at Harry's.
(NOTE: No August meeting)

Notes submitted by Sue Booth, Secretary