



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

Minutes of the General Meeting

January 5, 2022

This meeting was called to order by President Rick Najera at 7:04 p.m. at Harry's Hofbrau. There were 18 members present including all four officers: Ricky (President), Benito Mendoza (Vice President), Brian Davis (Treasurer) and Sue Booth (Secretary).

Treasurer's Report Brian stated that at the end of 2021 the club had 76 paid members. To date for 2022 there are 42 new or renewed members. After reviewing expenses for the last month, which included \$1,910 for new T-shirts, and revealing income generated, the club remains in good financial standing.

Old Business

January 1st New Year's Day Ride Several members commented on the cold of the morning: Ted's bike iced over on his driveway, Mark Wiebens made it to San Ramon but his hands were so frozen he turned back, Ricky hit extreme fog at Crystal Springs and could not see. In all, eight riders endured the weather and made it to San Juan Bautista for lunch. Ricky commented that Mario had picked some really great roads and Manny added that it was neat to take the roads on the backside of Los Gatos. All agreed it was a good ride and the club picked up lunch for those brave few who made it.

February 26 Holiday Party Vince Spadaro announced that they are ready for sign-ups. Brian Davis raised the question of limiting raffle tickets to just the 2021 paid members. Sabina Cuago reminded us that last time we sold tickets to everyone. Ricky proposed that we could hand members a free ticket, but that others could buy theirs and members could buy extras. The free member tickets would go into one bucket from which one prize is awarded. Then all tickets would get mixed together for the remainder of the prizes. Everyone thought that sounded good. It was agreed that the 50/50 raffle would be different tickets.

Ted Morris asked if there is a block of rooms at the hotels. Sabina answered, that no, we would have had to reserve 25 rooms to do that. Brian Davis raised the issue of a check-in process. Sabina and Vince volunteered to be at the check-in table where they would greet the guests, give name tags and a raffle ticket. Chris Carter suggested that the choice of entrée be on the name tag as people sometimes forget what they ordered. It was also recommended that a third person (or more) should be at that greeting table to sell additional raffle tickets.

New Business

Possible Crab Ride Heads nodded in agreement to look into this, but all decided that we should wait until it warms up. It was proposed that if we do have a Crab Ride, it would be after the Holiday Party. Members will revisit this topic at February's meeting.

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For the Good of the Club

Chris Carter asked if he should reserve the room at Harry's for next month's meeting. Sabina and Vince reported that they had been talking to Buck's in Woodside where we can have the backroom at no cost; it seats 40, we can have separate checks and, in summer, we could be outside. Ricky proposed that we could test out Buck's for the February meeting and see how it goes. Chris will tell the manager at Harry's that we will not need their room next month.

Mario DiSalvo shared that he's been thinking of a ride that is along the vein of the annual memorial ride, but that is in honor of people recuperating, possibly a ride by their house. The "Glad to be Alive" Ride will be discussed as the weather warms up.

Mark Wiebens spoke about two events: the Tahoe National Ride and the Dixon Swap Meet. He disclosed that their chapter is working with two hotels to get firm prices for rooms, but that the "tent" they used last time was way too pricey this year. They are looking at the junior college as a gathering spot. He said Dixon "is on" as of yet and looks good at the moment. If CHP does the Covid thing that they did last year (limiting to 25% capacity), then Fort Sutter Chapter will have to look elsewhere or not have it. Ricky recommended a place near Woodland where he attended a car show a while back, and conveyed that it would be a good venue. Mario mentioned that the fairgrounds at Plymouth, where the historic truck show is held, also might be a good possibility.

Brad Booth voiced that former Yerba Buena member Reggie Sherman is now living in Oklahoma and that his girlfriend got terribly ill. She was in the hospital for about three months and is finally home on a feeding tube. She had a procedure on her esophagus go south. It will be a slow recovery and Brad suggested that anyone who is friends with Reggie give him a call.

Ricky relayed that Dave, a Japanese guy who drove the chase truck sometimes, passed away on New Year's Day. He died from Covid (in hospital on oxygen). He went out to a bar with three buddies but was unvaccinated. Ricky also explained that Bobby Murillo will hopefully be going home this weekend. Bobby is sounding good and is truly lucky to be alive. He tripped walking at nighttime on El Camino and an Uber driver didn't see him and hit him. It will be a long recovery but the doctors are amazed that he is doing so well. Stay safe everyone!

Upcoming Dates

February 26 Holiday Party

Fifty-Fifty Raffle

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Next general meeting will be held February 2, 2022 at Buck's in Woodside.

Notes submitted by Sue Booth, Secretary