



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

**Minutes of the General Meeting**

**March 3, 2026**

This meeting was called to order by President Rick Najera at 7:03 p.m. Three club officers were in attendance (President Rick Najera, Vice President Benito Mendoza, and Secretary Sue Booth) as well as twenty other members. Chris Smith had relayed the Treasurer's Report to the Secretary: we incurred two large expenses last month (Holiday Dinner and a new order of T-shirts/hats) but we remain in good financial standing. John Basile was absent so there was no membership report.

**Old Business**

**Club Ride, January 10** Ricky relayed that this was a great ride (despite his loss of brakes) and that 18 members came to ride. It was a beautiful day with great scenery and the club bought lunch at the Costanoan. Everyone thanked Chris Carter and Gary Oliveira for organizing this one.

**Turlock Swap Meet, January 24-25** No one present attended.

**Washington High School Motorcycle Show, February 7** Jack Clark explained that this was a fundraiser for the kids, and although small, it was good fun. He sold a lot of t-shirts and said that the Yerba Buena table was the most active (banner was up). Hopefully this event will get bigger in the future.

**Holiday Dinner, February 7.** Sabina Cuago reported that we had 57 people attend our annual party and that the club made respectable money on the 50/50 and prize raffles. Chris Carter presented a thank you card and gift certificate from the club to Sabina in appreciation for her delicious desserts and diligent efforts in putting this event together.

**Borrego Springs Road Run, February 26-28.** No one present attended.

**New Business**

**Paul Thomas Memorial, March 13** The flyer for this went out a couple weeks ago. A memorial service will be at 10:30 am at the St. Francis Solano Catholic Church (469 Third St., Sonoma) and a reception will follow at the Veterans Memorial Hall (126 First St., W. Sonoma). Jenny asked that if anyone has pictures of Paul to send them to her for a slideshow that is being put together.

Ricky added that the club will most likely put together a ride in honor of Paul in the next few months, which will duplicate the last day of the 2024 Road Run (staying at the same hotel in Cloverdale). Dave Kelly knows those roads and perhaps can help organize.

**Plaid is Bad, March 22** Chris Carter announced that this is the 23<sup>rd</sup> year of "The Plaid" and the deadline to register is March 12 (RSVP Nancy Mathews, 650-465-3743, if you're going). This fundraiser has earned \$200,000 for the ALS organization and its support of families with this disease.

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**Dream Machines, April 26** Paul James reminded us that this is an unforgettable show with vintage cars, motorcycles, aircraft and steam engines. "If it burns oil and makes noise, it's there." Hope for good weather—last year was freezing.

**Upcoming Dates**

Paul Thomas Memorial, March 13

Plaid is Bad, March 22

Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay, April 26

**For the Good of the Club** Manny Fernandez is turning 80 and Haj Tai is hosting a ride and lunch in Manny's honor. On Saturday, March 14, at 10:00 in Pacifica (120 Manor St.) Haj will start a ride down the coast to Pescadero and then back to his house for a taco lunch. Please let him know if you're coming so he has a headcount for food (Ricky has the phone number).

**50/50 Raffle** Greg Knudler won \$32.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. Next general meeting will be held April 1st at Harry's.

Notes submitted by Sue Booth, Secretary