

American Legion Riders, Avon Post 145 Meeting Minutes ~ Wednesday, July 16th, 2008

Called to order by Director Bob Mullins
Pledge of Allegiance
Prayer
Riders Response

Bob welcomed 4 new members who were attending their first meeting; each introduced themselves.
Reading of the Minutes: motion to waive by Frank McFarland, seconded by Don Mosson; copies provided.

Officer Reports:

Director: Bob thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the meeting. He explained the breaking of the plain. He also wanted to give a big round of applause for the efforts Don Mosson had put in to coordinating our rides. He apologized for the confusion on the total number of current members and assured us that it had been straightened out. Please check the printed rosters for any updates and renewals are coming up.

Assistant Director: No Report.

Treasurer: No Report

Run Coordinator: July the 26th **Seat of The Pants Run**, will stage at Post 145 at 11:00am ride to the Brazil Post and be back in time for the Sal Steak Dinner and Reverse Raffle. **The Purple Heart Ride** currently don not have a lot of details just that it will stage at Fort Harrison on Aug.3rd and they ask that you wear purple. **The Mark Allen Ride** flyer was passed out will be 9/6 out of the UAW hall on south Tibbs avenue. The **Hoosier Burn Camp Ride** 9/13 Staging will be at the Texas Road House in Avon. On 9/14 **The Hoosier Veterans Assistance Foundation** proceeds to Homeless Veterans Ride stages out of the Lyons Club in Clermont. For more information all rides are posted on the website.

Chaplain: No Report.

Communications: We need to start thinking of our own Post 145 Annual Event, Possibly the Bristol Night Race Ride make it our own official ride. This will be discussed on down the road.

Membership: We are currently at 92 members and 3 honorary members. John had list and ask everyone to check their name on it for any mistakes. We are currently 2nd largest in the state. The Auburn, Indiana post is 1st. Start recruiting lets be the largest in the state.

Historian: No Report.

Sgt at Arms: Congratulations to Rick Haberman for being nominated for State ALR Director. The Blue Star Flag that was sent to Iraq once certified will be returned to our Post. At the state meeting Zoc the Blue Star Director presented check for \$10,000 to the Legacy Committee. Our store ran by Teri McFarland is now self sufficient if you want to order anything please see her after the meeting.

Old Business:

- ✍ Rick Haberman: We have 2 ALR gear shift linkages left, \$83 each, see Donna Williams after the meeting.
- ✍ Bob Mullins: explained he had attended the last E-Board meeting as of right now the monetary donation was denied. He will get with Marine Corp League commandant and make up a list of rules. He will keep us posted. State gaming laws have changed we may be ask to help subsidize for cost of building. It's very evident our presence is known. Bob and the post Commander Earl Hoffman talked about several issues. The riders are going no where. We are the marketing department for this post

New Business:

- ✍ Bob Mullins: An incident happened on the grounds of the Post. This is serious negative feedback for the riders. We have to set down rules and regulations. The Post does not want to take action against our riders. This has to do with excessive drinking, Fowl Language. Please do not be an IDIOT. Do not try to intimidate the bar tenders this organization are not 2%'ers. We will never be 2%'ers. Please let someone take you home. If the bartenders tell you it's your last drink ~ be responsible!!
- ✍ Rick Haberman: Explained that our back patches must all be touching to become a 'one piece patch'. Separate patches indicate you are a '2%'er' which is the term of being an outlaw motorcycle gang.
- ✍ Beth Gurley: Advised that the National ALR Rally 'Romp' is Labor Day weekend.

Standing Committees:

- ✍ First Year Charity Committee: First year Charity Committee Donna Williams ask for a show of hands for anyone who would be interested in a Bristol Night Race party on August 23rd. Several people raised their hands. Donna will write up a detailed explanation to Director Bob Mullins and it will go in front of the E-Board.
- ✍ Safety Committee: Rick Haberman explained the sensors at stop lights in reference to the topic of the 'Safe Red Light Law' which Indiana does not support. This law in some states allows motorcycles who can't trip the sensors at lights to cautiously move through the red lights with certain conditions. Some states are very particular. Placing kickstand down on pad outlines helps or stopping directly over the lines.

For Good of the Order:

- ✍ Todd Graham: Requested Blue Star patches for the Huey crew that will part of the 2009 Blue Star event. He will also provide a website address for us to see more information on the Huey.
- ✍ Guest Pat Phillips and Dale (Pugman) Taylor from the 500 Post made a surprise visit and presented us with a plaque of appreciation for all of our support for their Rider Chapter and Events.
- ✍ Pugman: Explained the history of the challenge coin which are now available to order. A sample was passed around.
- ✍ Reggie Osbourne made a motion to send ALR sympathy cards to each soldiers' family killed in Iraq, seconded by Rick Haberman and passed.
- ✍ Rick Haberman: Advised that the Mudd family is attending the 'Little Sturgis Rally' the next day, anyone interested meets them at the post by 9:45am.
- ✍ Kevin Morgan: Masonic Lodge breakfast on Saturday in Belleville (3rd Saturday of the month), meet at post by 8:30am, possible impromptu ride following breakfast.
- ✍ Bob Mullins: Explained the 50/50 raffle will stop for a while we are going to start raffling off different things that have been purchased. There are approximately 40 tickets left for the reverse raffle.
- ✍ Frank McFarland made a motion that the ALR purchase 5 reverse raffle tickets @ \$10 each, seconded by Rick Haberman and passed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 20th

50/50 Drawing: Won by Joe Taylor

Motion to Adjourn by Rick Haberman, seconded by Don Mosson and passed.

Meeting adjourned by Director Bob Mullins

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