

CRVBMW February 16, 2020 Meeting - at Smokin With Chris, Southington, CT

Call mtg to order at 1:05 PM

Number in attendance - 8

Ron - Treasurer's Report – A brief explanation of the club's financial position was presented. This year, we only had to subsidize the banquet with \$2 per person, less than in past years, but the picnic and November meeting costs us a lot more. Future consideration for a policy for paid club activities for no shows was discussed.

Felix - Minutes report from previous meeting – briefly spoke on past meeting items of interest.

Old Business – announcement for outstanding membership cards are available after adjournment of meeting.

Winter Banquet - Great turnout - we sold 52 tickets – see Treasurer's report for summary.

Club membership cards & I also have "You have met a member of ..." cards to hand out. They will be available at meetings and the Road Captains to hand out at club rides. It is suggested that you write your name on the "You have met a member..." cards before you hand them out.

If you haven't renewed your membership for this year, please do so - Renew on-line. Still \$20 per member, \$10 for Associate members.

Sharing our list of members with the club still needs to happen. I almost started the process last month, but decided to wait until after the holidays and membership renewals are completed.

Charter Oak Rally - May 22-24

Chris, sent advertisements to the MOA & RA magazines & will request insurance.

The little cabin is available for rent - price is \$200 or \$40 per person. The cabin has electricity.

The small cabin has recently been renovated and has electricity. Ron suggested members who are interested on a spot in the cabin to organize themselves for the group reservation.

Club Rides

*Stu will restart the Wednesday rides when Winter has passed.

Mark is planning a motorcycle trip to Pennsylvania August 27th – 30th those interest accompanying please see him for information.

Stu Green is planning a trip to Fredericksburg, VA in early May. The itinerary may include Blue Ridge, Skyline Drive and West Virginia.

Dates for next year's national rallies

BMW MOA – June 25-28 at Great Falls, Montana

I sent out an email regarding Assigned Camping Areas if anyone interested.

BMW RA – Sept 17-20 at Waynesville, NC

New Business ? – Tim spoke on the motorcycle ride to honor Neil Peart.

I sent an email yesterday on the next subject.

Sunlight on Chrome - Motorcycle Ride to fight Brain Cancer.

This event is being organized in honor of Neil Peart, drummer of the band Rush (who recently passed away from brain cancer).

Many in the motorcycle world knew him as an avid motorcyclist!

Our goal is to identify motorcycle clubs in each of the 50 states (we are also reaching out to venues in Canada as well) that are willing to host an event.

Since we are hopeful that many groups will be involved, the date of any specific ride will likely be venue specific, so as to fit more easily into event calendars. Final dates (across venues), however will likely have some relevance to Neil Peart or to the band Rush; this criteria, however, will not stand in the way of planning these rides.

We have partnered with the American Brain Tumor Association (www.abta.org) and once an event has been arranged, a venue specific “event page” will be set up through the A.B.T.A. website – funds would go directly to them. We have not yet decided on contribution level.

This is all at the very early stages of development, but the vision is to have these rides be as “low key” as possible (so as to not burden hosting groups).

The approach that we will likely be following at our local shop will be more of a “social ride” (~10-25 riders) along a route used in previous ride events.

Once we have identified a venue (shop or group) that is willing to host, we will work hard to ID a venue specific contact (who could run point and help push the event forward).

I’d welcome the opportunity to discuss (perhaps over the phone) this with your event planner in more detail. We are very eager to see this idea come to fruition.

Kindest Regards,
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The March meeting will be held:
~~Sunday, March 15 at 1:00 PM.~~ – Correction Saturday, March 14th at 1:00pm
Lena’s Restaurant & Pizza

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South Windsor, CT
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Club activities

Does anyone have any new group activities to announce?

Motion to adjourn by **Howard Vizthum and second by Bill Gragitis**

Mtg adjourned at **2:15** PM

Notes in red added by Felix Planas, Secretary.