

STAR Touring Chapter 153
Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2008

I. Call to order

President Janet Sturkey called to order the meeting of the General Membership of STAR Touring Chapter 153 at 7:00 p.m. on June 20, 2008 at Coco's Restaurant on Arden Way.

II. Roll call

Secretary Mary Jeruss had everyone present sign in on the sign in sheet. There were 20 members and 4 guests present at this meeting.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes will be emailed to the officers for approval. Once approved, the minutes will be forwarded to the West Regional Directors.

IV. Items Discussed

- Guests introduced themselves. Kim Isaacs is a friend of Michelle Heppner and rides a 2003 VStar 1100. David Sledge found this chapter by searching the internet and rides a 2007 Venture. Francisco and Deidra Bonar attended STAR BQ and ride a 2006 VTX 1300.
- Vice President Eric Rhetta announced the upcoming rides:
 - June 21 – BONUS – Modesto Poker Run. This ride will leave at 8:00 am (breakfast at 7:00 am) from Elk Grove Denny's.
 - June 27-28 – BONUS – Northwest STAR BQ.
 - July 5 – Dinner Ride – Ride Captain is Carol Arens. The ride will start between 12 and 1pm at Roseville Yamaha. More information will be posted to the forum soon.
 - July 12 – BONUS – Holli-STAR. This will be an early day since the group has to be in Fairfield by 7:30-8:00am to meet up with other groups going to the event. There is a possibility that if someone is willing to lead a group, there might be two groups heading down to this event, one early in the morning and one later in the day.
 - July 18 – Plumas Gold Run. Vice President Eric Rhetta has flyers in case anyone is interested in attending.
 - July 19 – Reno Make a Wish Ride.
 - July 27 – Ride around Lake Tahoe. More information will be posted on this ride soon.
 - August 2 – BONUS – California STAR Rendezvous. Cost is \$20 or a backpack filled with school supplies.
 - August 16 – Picnic/ride around the Foresthill/lake. More information will be posted on this ride soon.
 - August 24 – Washington ride.
 - Oct 10-12 – BONUS – Big Bike Rally – Redding – the Redding chapter is involved in this event. The Oakland Police Drill Team will have a presentation as well.
 - Oct 25 – BONUS – Red Bluff – Blood Drive. If members donate blood at any BloodSource location in Northern California, they can ride for free.

- Vice President Eric Rhetta reminded members they are required to attend 40 percent of all chapter meetings and rides for the year. He added that the BONUS rides give members extra opportunities to do so.
- Vice President Eric Rhetta announced that STAR members will receive a 10 percent discount from Barons accessories by using the code “star10” when they order.
- President Janet Sturkey announced that the Snowline Hospice Ride is on June 28th and asked members to see Debi Crawford for more information. Debi Crawford added that she will be leaving from Elk Grove Denny’s at 8:00 am and asked members to visit the website and download the registration forms from there.
- Secretary Mary Jeruss asked members to email her with their STAR expiration dates when they renew with National.
- Treasurer Kim Lahn announced that the chapter has a balance of \$871.42 and that there were no expenses this month. She also announced that she has chapter rockers, patches, and flags available for members to purchase.
- President Janet Sturkey gave the LOS Report for LOS Representative Marilyn Long. LOS Representative Marilyn Long is requesting that members email her with charity ideas for December. One idea that has been presented is to make blankets and pillow cases for children. This would involve a couple evenings at someone’s house where members could assist with making the blankets and pillow cases.
- President Janet Sturkey announced that she needs 1-2 volunteers to put together a ride for the Labor Day weekend. If anyone is interested in setting up a ride, please see her after the meeting.
- President Janet Sturkey asked members to begin considering ideas for where the Christmas Party should be held. Last year, it was at the Cattleman’s restaurant in Roseville. This will be discussed further at the July meeting.
- President Janet Sturkey handed out a “Ride Stoppers” input sheet and asked members to provide feedback on the rides that have been held this year. She also asked them to provide a tentative yes/no on whether they plan to attend the remaining rides for the year.
- President Janet Sturkey suggested cold cuts for the picnic at the lake in August. Members agreed with the idea.
- President Janet Sturkey asked members to think about ways to recruit new chapter members.
 - One suggestion was a \$50 gas card. Members who bring guests would be entered into a drawing for \$50 gas card as long as there was a designated number of guests at the meeting. John Gunby suggested keeping track of who brought which guests for the year and giving the card to the member who brought the most guests for the year or for the quarter. Rides would count, too. President Janet Sturkey will develop some preliminary guidelines for this idea.
 - A motion was made to spend the money for the gas card, seconded, and approved by members present.

- Another suggestion was to provide a \$25 quarterly incentive to the salesman at the supporting dealerships who referred the most people to the chapter. The salesman would have to provide the name, phone number, and email address of the person who bought the bike and this information would be verified by a chapter officer.
- President Janet Sturkey asked members to let her know if they do not see any chapter or National brochures at the supporting dealerships.
- Mary Jeruss stated that there is Law Enforcement Memorial Ride on July 26th to support fallen officers and asked members to see her for more information on this ride.
- Carol Arens provided information about his experience with “local knowledge” in Monarch Pass, Colorado. He cautioned members about trusting “local knowledge” and suggested doing their homework about the area before making the trip.
- President Janet Sturkey reminded members to fill out the two surveys and either hand them to her or leave them on the tables when they leave.
- The raffle was held and the following prizes were awarded:
 - Roseville Yamaha – Medium sized ½ (shorty) gloves – Robert Maynard
 - Gremlin Bell – Robert Maynard
 - SpeedStar hat – Eric Rhetta
 - Saddlebag support bars – Robert Maynard
 - Roseville Yamaha – Star bandana – Rocky Lewis
 - STAR Coaster – Eric Rhetta
 - Gremlin Bell – Mike Rhey
 - Bobster foam lined goggles – Vic Berg
- Treasurer Kim Lahn collected a total of \$80 for the 50/50 and the \$40 split was won by Bill Bispo.

V. Adjournment

The meeting ended adjourned at approximately 7:54pm.

Minutes submitted by: Mary Jeruss, Secretary

POSTNOTE: Restaurant surveys came back with good results. The ride surveys reflected that most had other commitments when they did not attend the chapter rides.