

# ***STAR Touring Chapter 153***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

May 18, 2007

### **I. Call to order**

President Mike Haskins called to order the meeting of the General Membership of STAR Touring Chapter 153 at 7:00 pm on May 18, 2007 at the Western Coffee Cup on Auburn Blvd.

### **II. Roll call**

Secretary Mary Jeruss had everyone present sign in on the sign in sheet. There were 40 members and guests at this meeting.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes will be emailed to the officers for approval within the next two weeks. Once approval is received, the minutes will be forwarded to the State Directors.

### **IV. Open issues**

- None were addressed.

### **V. New business**

- Guests Debbie & Steve Redondo from National Cycle on Auburn Blvd were introduced to everyone.
- The STAR Knights ride is coming up on May 26th. Secretary Mary Jeruss noted that if members had registered, but not received a written confirmation in the mail, they should contact Rich Martin at [veteranrep@sccstarchapter209.org](mailto:veteranrep@sccstarchapter209.org).
- The ride to Auburn for the Motorcycle Expo is coming up on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is an official chapter ride and volunteers are needed (18 people) to staff the chapter's booth at the expo. Marilyn Long will pass around the sign up sheet and asked members to please sign up for a 2-hour shift. There will be a show-n-shine and stunt team, as well as a lot of vendors. Jim will be the ride captain and he will post details about when the group will leave from Perko's (Bradshaw exit) soon. The expo itself opens at 11:00 am and tickets are \$10. Members will get credit for this ride by attending either day of the expo. Stephen Jeruss provided Marilyn Long with approximately 250 chapter trifolds for the event.
- The High Sierra STAR BQ is coming up on June 8-9<sup>th</sup>. The Redding chapter won the attendance award by 8-10 people, taking this award from Sacramento for the first time in three years.
- The Modesto Poker Run will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and there will be an indoor location at the end of the ride so that members can cool off.
- The chapter voted in David Oxley and Adam & Magda Stepien – welcome!

- Secretary Mary Jeruss announced that there is a Soldier Down Poker Run for anyone who is interested. They are asking for a used cell phone with the battery and \$15 registration fee (\$20 without a cell phone). The ride starts at the Waffle Barn in Yuba City and she asked members to see her for a copy of the flier.
- Secretary Mary Jeruss asked chapter members to mark their calendars for the Autism Foundation 'Ride for a Better Chance' coming up on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$25 per rider/\$20 passenger. This ride can also be completed online as the date gets closer at <http://www.rideforabetterchance.org> .
- Secretary Mary Jeruss stated that she emailed about 7-8 people regarding National membership expirations and asked that they provide her with their new expiration date as soon as possible.
- Treasurer Janet Sturkey reported that the chapter has a few pennies left over after putting out big bucks for the chapter t-shirts and Motorcycle expo tickets. She has been collecting funds from the t-shirts tonight and will do so again at the next meeting.
- Sergeant at Arms Eric Rhetta reported on the STAR Knights ride. He announced that there are five stops along the way and lots of twisty roads during the daylight hours. The group will meet at the California Burger on Auburn Blvd (off Riverside exit) for dinner at 4:00 pm, Kick Stands Up at 5:00 pm. Mary Jeruss added that Rich Martin emailed her that attendance was down from last year. Debbie Redondo expressed an interest in the ride and Mary will email her the flier tonight.
- Regional Director Sam Laughlin announced that he and Shauna Manina were now the SouthWest Regional Directors, covering Arizona, California and Nevada.
- Ladies of the STAR (LOS) Representative Marilyn Long announced that Kim Lahn now has her M1 endorsement – congratulations Kim!
- LOS Representative Marilyn Long also announced that if members would like to order the gold colored STAR Badges to please see her to order them. She also asked that members see Madelyn Stringer to clarify what shirts were ordered and the amount due to Treasurer Janet Sturkey. She added that she has the list of t-shirt sizes.
- Shepherd Janet Sturkey reported that the Shepherd Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) page is completed and posted to the website under the Shepherd's Corner. There is also an "Ask a Shepherd" link to email the Shepherds with additional questions which will then be added to the FAQs. SouthWest Regional Director Sam Laughlin noted that National has seen it and the International Director raved about it as the "best ever seen."
- Sydney Sheppard stated that there a lot of motorcycle accidents happening right now. She reminded members to be alert and watch out for the cars as motorcycles are invisible to cars. Also, if members get an opportunity to do so, to take their bikes to a parking lot and practice their skills.

- Mary Jeruss announced that there is a summer camp called Kops N Kids open to children ages 9-13 years old being held from June 18-22<sup>nd</sup> at Hiram Johnson High School from 8:15 to 4:30 pm Monday through Thursday and 8:15 to 1:30 pm on Fridays. The cost is only \$35 and the kids are being fed lunch and a daily snack. The program is also providing bus transportation from various schools in the area. Please see her for more details or visit the website at [www.kopsnkids.org](http://www.kopsnkids.org) .
- Mary Jeruss announced that Michelle Heppner has been selected as an officer in the Navy – congratulations Scalliewags!
- STAR Days 09 location is still looking like Boise, Idaho – keep sending those emails!
- Debbie and Steve Redondo announced that they have cleaned up the National cycle shop. The store carries everything from batteries to oil to gear to children's leathers and carries a lot of close out items at 50 percent off. She displayed a pair of riding pants that retail for \$95 selling for \$50 and also showed members many other greatly discounted items. They have expanded the facility and now have a repair shop. She handed out flyers with coupons for oil changes costing \$39.95. Big Steve, custom bike builder from Bad Ass Toys, is one of the mechanics. She also has an email list and can distribute event fliers to over 2,000 people on the list. The store is open 7 days a week and the hours are 7am to 6pm. Debbie added that veterans get a 10 percent discount.
- Debbie also announced that she has a petition to stop the use of commercial tire retreads, which cause problems for motorcycles when the treads fly off large vehicles. Members are welcome to sign the petition if they wish to do so.
- The Raffle was held and the following won prizes:
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Key Fob – Dennie Richards
  - Pigley donated by National Cycle – Dennie Richards – DONATED TO HIGH SIERRA STAR BQ
  - Pigley donated by National Cycle – Adam Stepien
  - Short sleeve White T shirt – XL – Rich Powers – DONATED TO HIGH SIERRA STAR BQ
  - Short Sleeve Black T shirt – XL – Rick Nunally
  - Short sleeve White T shirt – XL – Rich Powers – DONATED TO HIGH SIERRA STAR BQ
  - Short Sleeve Black T shirt – 2X – Dennis Barlesi
  - \$25 Roseville Yamaha Gift Card – Rich Powers
  - \$50 Roseville Yamaha Gift Card – David Oxley
  - \$50 Roseville Yamaha Gift Card – Bill Bispo
- The 50/50 was \$75.00 and was won by Debbie Redondo from National Cycle.

## **VI. Adjournment**

President Mike Haskins adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:10 pm.

**Minutes submitted by:** Mary Jeruss, Secretary

**Minutes approved by:**