

Trail Gazette

June - July 2019

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Meeting Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America June 11, 2019

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM via conference call.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Tom Nielsen V.P., John Davey Secretary, and Garrett Erickson, Treasurer.

Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

Minutes: Reading of minutes were waived. See newsletter.

Correspondence: Money was received on PayPal for rally.

Treasurer's Report: Receiving entries for rally. Club remains in the black.

Old Business:

- ✓ Rally Status:
 - Reviewed registration process- who does what. Registration will be Thursday evening and Friday morning.
 - T-shirts are ordered.
 - Decided on menu for banquet at Takoda's: Prime Rib, Salmon, and Chicken pasta.
 - Discussed ride routes for each day: Friday to Sweet Home, Saturday to Eugene and Aufderheide, and Sunday to Sisters via 242. To have several short rides as options. Ride leads to get maps to Tom N and he will develop an overview map.
 - Discussed who would drive recovery vehicles.
 - Garrett will MC the banquet raffle.

- John will get a gift for RV park manager.
- John will do a Costco run to get food for snacks and continental breakfast. Jen to get him a shopping list.
- John will get copies made of schedule, ride maps and bring Keurig coffee makers.
- Not to try to squeeze in Team Oregon – to have event later in year.
- To have voting for elections as part of registration.

New Business:

- ✓ Upcoming Meetings and Activities
 - SWAP meet at Fort Sutter. Tom & Jen not attending. To cancel booth unless other members can man it.
 - No July meeting – just the rally.
 - August is World of Speed.
 - September will have a multi-day ride around John Day.

Next business meeting/conference call – July 9th at 7 PM to finalize rally stuff.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM. Minutes by Tom Nielsen.

NEXT MEETING:
Saturday, September 14, 2019
9:00 AM
John Day, Oregon for a Day of Rides
Plan to travel to/from on 13th and 15th
On 14th meet at 9 AM to plan where to explore.
After the rides, meet at 4 PM to debrief rides
and then go out to dinner.
Details on meeting location, lodging, and dinner
will be sent to members by email & mail



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Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

Minutes: Reading of minutes were waived. See newsletter.

Correspondence: Email/calls regarding rally.

Treasurer's Report: Continue to receive rally entries. Garrett reviewed entries to date and we discussed likely entries day of the event. Taxes were submitted.

Old Business:

- ✓ Rally Status:
 - Routes are set. Maps were made. Copies were made of pamphlet and maps. T-shirts picked up. Large area map is done. Ballots done for elections. Got snacks, water, and food for continental breakfast.
 - To hold raffle while waiting for dinner. Jen to prepare agenda for MC.
 - Got raffle prizes sorted. To set aside special raffle prizes for oldest rider, youngest, longest ride, longest trailer, and hard luck awards.
 - To sort out SWAG into bags on Thursday.
 - Ride briefings each day by Tom R, John, and Garrett.
 - Confirmed who is bringing ice chests, pop ups, and tables.
 - To pick up ice each day and any added water.

New Business:

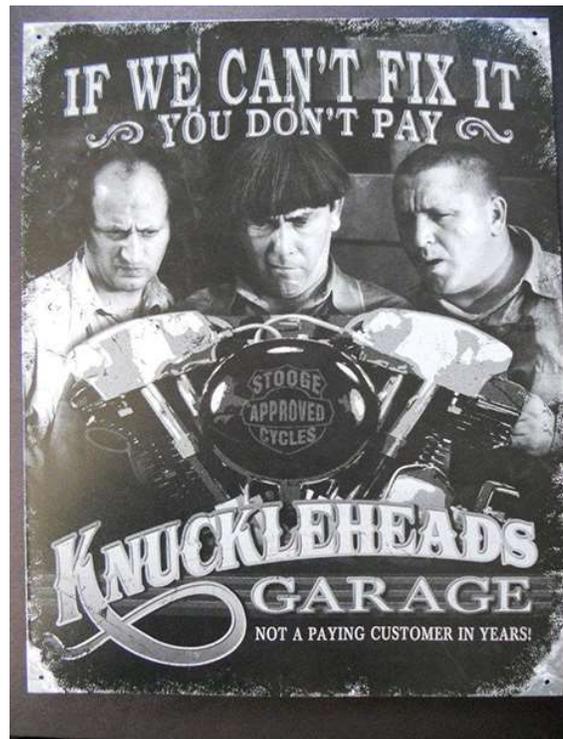
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Next business meeting/conference call – August 13th at 7 PM.



Officers for 2019-2020 (L-R): John Davey-Treasurer, Martin Doerfler-Vice President, Bill Quaccia-Activities Coordinator, Jennifer Nielsen-President, and Tom Nielsen-Secretary.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM. Minutes by Tom Nielsen.





The Pres Letter-

"It's amazing the number of great people in my life I wouldn't ever have met if it weren't for my motorcycle."

Anonymous

This quote sums up our rally this year. I am grateful for the AMAZING rally committee of Tom Ruttan, Garrett Erickson, John Davey, Tim Burns, and Tom Nielsen. I am thankful for Martin Doerfler and Bill Quaccia for putting in lots of miles on their keisters in the recovery vehicles. I applaud Vahan Dinihanian for the way cool t-shirts. And I am of a full heart having spent time with so many outstanding people over our rally weekend.

Perfect weather, great rides, one-match camp fires, s'mores, Scotch, ice cream, and lots and lots of fine folk!! Yup, the rally was a success!!

Thank you to all of you who came, and thank you to those of you who helped and weren't mentioned by name!

We are already planning our 2020 ride. Stay tuned for details! if you want to be part of the Rally Committee, or just help us scout for next year, let me know!

Peace out folks,

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Celebrities on Motorcycles -

Who are these familiar faces on two wheels?
Answers on page 8.





2019 Rally, McKenzie River

By Tom Nielsen

The rally was from July 11 – 14th in beautiful Rainbow, Oregon. Our headquarters was at the Holiday Farm RV Resort, which is on Highway 126, about an hour east of Eugene. We had 43 riders and 6 passengers attend our rally. Registration started on Thursday evening and wrapped up Friday morning. We had a spur of the moment ice cream social, which will be expanded next year to be part of registration.

The first ride was to Sweet Home starting on State Highway 126 to State Highway 20 for 72 miles. Return trip was along the very curvy Quartsville Rd and Forest Service 11. The total ride was 144 miles. Friday evening many folks gathered at the large fire pit at the RV park. This was a very pleasant gathering place and saw rally folks each evening.

Saturday's ride was east on Highway 126 and a quick jog south the Willamette Valley Harley Davidson Dealer for (ahem) lunch. Then we headed southeast on State Highway 58 to Westfir, and onto back roads that led to the scenic Aufderheide Drive. This gorgeous road runs for about 40 miles through windy forested roads through the Willamette National Forest. The total distance was 142 miles.

Sunday's ride was east to Sisters on State Highway 126 then up and up through McKenzie Pass on State Highway 242. McKenzie Pass features alpine terrain as you pass through the Cascades where you get views of Mt. Washington and 2,000-year-old lava flows. At the summit is the Dee Wright observatory with panoramic views. The serpentine road comes out in Sisters, where riders had lunch. The ride length was 102 miles.

Beside the three featured rides, four alternate shorter ride maps were provided to area lakes and lookouts.

Sunday's banquet was at Takoda's and featured prime rib, salmon, and chicken primavera. Dessert was blackberry cobbler with ice cream. Raffle prizes added to the fun and awards were given for the longest ride, longest trailered, oldest rider, youngest rider, and hard luck award. The weather was perfect, not too hot and no rain.



Registration Crew: Garrett Erickson, Jennifer Nielsen, John Davey, and Tom Ruttan. Tom Nielsen not shown (took the photo)



Tom Ruttan gives Saturday's rider briefing.



John Bowes, Richard Coffin, Jacob Peter, and Tim Burns



Garrett Erickson on his 1957 HD Panhead



Rosie Singhose on her HD Trike



Don Gabbert and his BMW



Jim Singhose on his HD Dyna



Jim Lancaster and his Sportster



Theo Battaglia's 883 Sportster in foreground as Theo and Don Dion expound the merits of quaternary physics with Vahan Dinihanian and Bill Quaccia on the Aufderheide.



Phil Battaglia on the Aufderheide



Some of the many rally bikes at the Eugene Harley Dealer for lunch



Larry and Melinda Sargent met the club for lunch on Saturday.



Emma and Don Gilbert and their 1942 HD Model U. The bike was originally a police bike from South Africa.



A group of rally riders enter the parking lot at the summit of McKenzie Pass



The Youngest Rider award went to John Barrong.



The Oldest Rider award went to Don Gabbert (left), presented by Garrett Erickson.



The Longest Ride awards was a tie to Red Robinson (left) and Jim Meadows. Each rode about 470 miles.



A rally participant takes a break off of Interstate 5 on the way home.



| 2019 Meeting Calendar Oregon Trail Chapter, AMCA | |
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| Month | Activity |
| Sept 14 9 AM | John Day Rides |
| Oct 12 noon | <i>Garage Crawl at Kodiak Bill's, in Ashland</i> |
| Nov 30 | "No-Turkey Tech Day" at Tom K's in Salem |
| Dec | Holiday Party <i>Date and Location TBA</i> |

Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists

OVM meets on the second Saturday of every month at noon at Horse Brass Pub, 4534 SE Belmont St., Portland, OR
<http://www.oregonvintage.org>

Vintage Motorcycle Enthusiast

Portland Chapter on the second Tuesday of Every Month at 6:00 PM at Ecliptic Brewing, 825 N Cook St., Portland, OR
<http://www.vmemc.org>

Web Site Update

Check out our updated website.

Old photos were archived.

Photos from our 2019 events were added.

Check it out.

<http://www.antiquemotorcycleoregon.com>

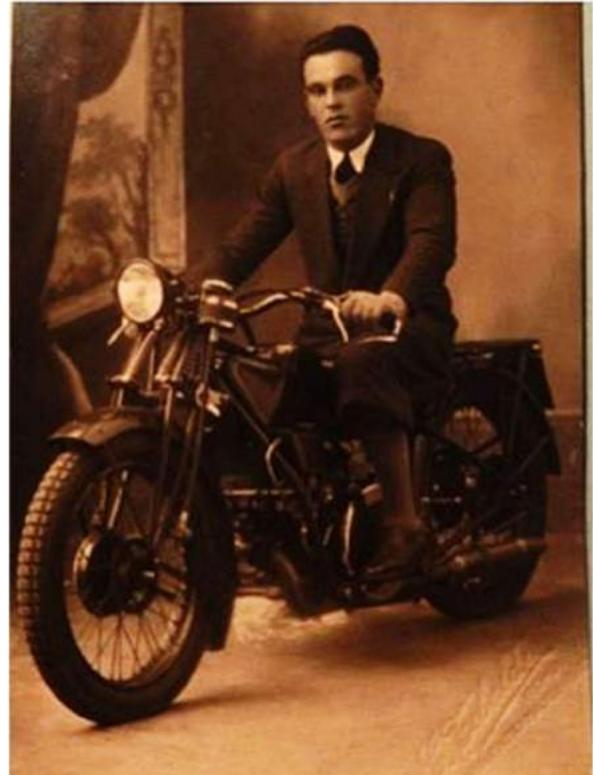
Celebrities on Motorcycles

From page 3, top to bottom:

Arnold Schwarzenegger

Bridgette Bardot

Tom Cruise



Vintage Moto-Guzzi

SUBMISSIONS TO NEWSLETTER:

Please submit article contributions, classified advertisements, photos, trip reports, and suggestions by the second Thursday of each month. Prefer Word or Adobe PDF for text and .jpg or PDF for graphics to tomandjen@shadyapple.com

Thanks, Tom