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Election Results

New Officers Terms Begin October 1:

- James McQuiston, President. (James returns from Europe October 20th.)
- Tim Burns, VP
- Tom Nielsen, Secretary
- John Davey, Treasurer

For those of you that don't know James, he has been active in OTC rides and events the last couple of years. He started riding in the 4th grade on a Hiawatha Doodlebug. He currently owns a 1957 Indian Chief, a Harley Road Glide, and a 1978 Triumph Bonneville. James was a past president of the AMCA Rocky Mountain Chapter in Colorado.

October Event

Nothing yet scheduled.
Will send notice when
firmed up.

Right. OTC members at the 1993
Beavercreek Bust. R-L: Don Woodward,
Roy Burke, Ken Edmiston, Lydia Ascenzi,
and Vahan Dinianian.





The Pres Letter

Moving on and looking back!

This is the last Prez letter I will be writing for OTC and y'all. I will be leaving you in the capable hands of the new Prez James McQuiston, VP Tim Burns, Treasurer John Davey, and Secretary Tom Nielsen.

I want to extend a very warm welcome to James, as he stepped up to literally save OTC. He may be another gray-haired guy with a beard, true, but James is a previous prez for AMCA in Colorado, an owner of a mixed herd of bikes, a great storyteller, and a true gentleman. James, along with the other officers, will very capably lead the club. Thank you to all of you officers who are making the time and energy commitment to OTC.

Y'all may have officers looking out for the club, but you, the members, make up the club. Please continue to share your input and ideas. Attend an event or two. Let the newsletter guy know you are reading and liking his stuff. Call in to an officers meeting.

We have all had some challenges these past few years, some more than others. But let's start getting back to doing what we all love and why we joined the club – let's get together and ride, share tips, swap stories. Each and every member has the responsibility to engage and interact with each other at some level. Your officers can only do so much. You need to be a part of the goings on of the club. Somehow, some way.

As I reflect over the past six years, I am struck by the caring and inclusivity this club has shown to me and to new and potential members. I fondly remember a No-Turkey Tech Day at Tom Krise's where Terry Wolbert and Jim Singhose were helping me grind my rotors and check my springs for my generator. Another example is when John Davey first attended a meeting at the Texaco station, and everyone there said hello and asked about his bikes.

Or when James McQuiston showed up in Bend while we were all having breakfast, and he was swept into the group like he had been a member for years. While at the National in Colville a few weeks back, I had several Evergreen members share how much they liked our rallies. They spoke of how relaxing and just plain nice our members were. And, the most recent example was the Garage Crawl at our place September 25th. Two of our young neighbors (who ride) stopped by and the three Tom's (Ruttan, Krise, and Nielsen), Nils Olson, and Jerry Tritz all asked about their bikes, gave tips and advice on trips, and genuinely embraced these young folk.

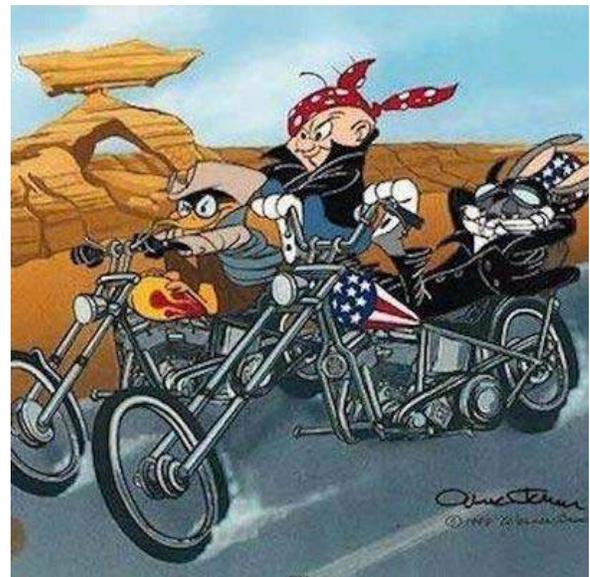
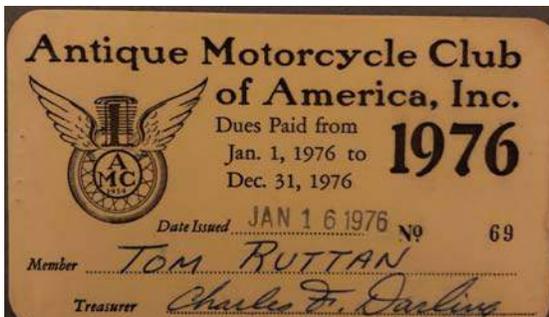
Keep up the great work all! It is what makes our club unique. You will be seeing me around, and I will still help Tom edit the newsletter. I am looking forward to the upcoming year! I hope y'all are as well.

Peace out,

Jen

Things change.
Life ... is a ride.
People change.
But, you will always be *You*.
So, stay true to *Yourself*.
And, **never** sacrifice
Who *You* are for Anyone.

From Women's Freedom Ride



OVM Swap Meet/Show Corvallis, May 22nd



OTC's Bill Quaccia mans the OTC booth. THANKS BILL !



1957 HD Sportster owned by Howell.



1949 Triumph Grand Prix racer owned by Tom Ruttan



Some of the bikes at the Corvallis show.



1985 Dnepr 650 cc MT-11. Manufactured in USSR (Ukraine)



OTC Rally at Powerland, July 11-14 By Tom Nielsen

After postponing our road run because of forest fires and the pandemic, it finally happened. We had a small showing, but had some great rides. Our event was held at Antique Powerland in Brooks. The NW Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum was our HQ. There was on site camping, a large room for meeting and banquet and some cool old rigs to check out in our spare time. Registration was on Monday and we had some new faces. We had ice cream socials on Monday and Tuesday evenings, thanks to Tim Burns.

Tuesday's ride was 100 miles on back roads to Butteville, Beavercreek, and Elwood, planned and led by Tom Ruttan. We had a pleasant lunch at the Wild Hare Saloon in Canby.

On Wednesday, yours truly led a 120 mile ride to Sublimity, Independence, and Newberg. We had lunch in Dayton and stopped at an antique tool supply shop in Lafayette, which proved popular. One club member commented he had ridden around Salem his entire life and had not been on many of these roads. Another said "We're the Fugare!" More thanks to Martin Doerfler for adding a diversion onto "Doerfler Road," where he was born and some of his family still resides. Some great views to the east.

On Thursday, Nils Olson led a 70 mile ride through some serious back country and logging roads through Scotts Mill out to Molalla River area and Molalla for lunch.

The banquet was catered by Lone Star BBQ with three choices of meat, corn bread, corn salad, cole slaw and ice cream with hot fudge sauce, Texas sheet cake, and strawberry short cake.

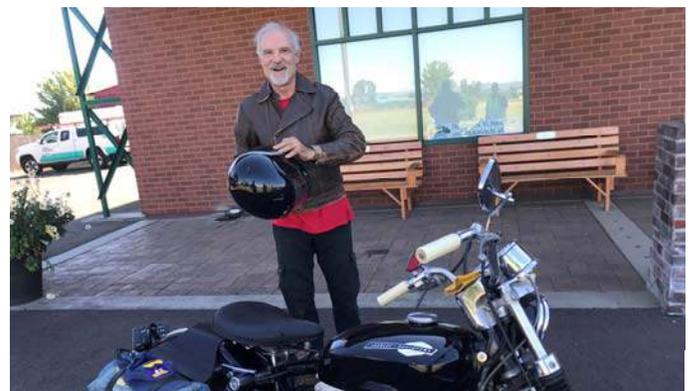
Awards for the Oldest Rider: Tom Ruttan, Youngest Rider: Tim Burns, Hard Luck: Reed Rothchild, Furthest Riden: Paul Thomas of Sonoma, CA, and Furthest Trailered: Bill Quaccia. A special award was also presented to Tom Ruttan for his service to OTC over many years.



Spike Smith and Jen Nielsen setting up registration.



OTC Rally Participants showing their spirit.



Reed Rothchild and his 1968 Sportster



Paul Thomas of Sonoma, CA and his 1983 HD FXR

OTC Rally at Powerland (cont'd)



James McQuiston's 1947 Indian Chief, which he rode over from Bend.



Tim Burn's 1935 HD VLD in line-up outside Don's Antique Tools in Lafayette.



Line up of bikes at the NWVCM. John Davey's 1969 Sportster in front.



Lunch in Dayton



Tom Ruttan prepares for sweep role on a ride.



Taking a break near Molalla River. Note "antique" phone booth. It still worked.



OTC Rally at Powerland (cont'd)



Coffee break at CC in Newberg. L-R: Tom Nielsen, Paul Thomas, Nils Olson, Tim Burns, Terry Wolbert, Tom Ruttan, and James McQuiston.



A real bonus for your dedicated newsletter editor was the evenings with truly experienced help in getting my 1946 HD UL dialed in and running. Many thanks to Tim Burns and Paul Thomas. Others who provided support and help along the way: Tom Ruttan, John Davey, Martin Doerfler, Nils Olson, James McQuiston, and especially to Jennifer Nielsen.



Tom Ruttan receives a service award from Prez Jen Nielsen



James McQuiston, Paul Thomas, and John Davey watch Tom learn to use a foot clutch and tank shift.



Nils Olson after "Coming in Hot" watched by Martin Doerfler, Tom Nielsen, Paul Thomas, and John Davey. (Nils skimmed past Tom's other parked bikes with the as-yet adjusted drum brakes. Tom's wide eyes have relaxed at this point.)

Best Biker Babe Award for 2022

The Best Biker Babe for 2022 was awarded at the OTC rally at Powerland to Jennifer Nielsen for her steadfast and devoted support above and beyond the call of duty during countless evenings and weekends while her spouse worked obsessively on restoring a 1946 Harley. Her dedication went so far that she unknowingly, but as it turns out cheerfully, donated her own toothbrush to clean out a sludgy oil tank on said Harley.



Jennifer Nielsen showing off her award.



The coveted award showing the actual tooth brush, which was removed from the Nielsen's RV to clean the sludge laden oil tank, which perhaps had not been cleaned since 1946.





John Davey about to lead the August ride on his "new" 1974 Moto Guzzi Eldorado Police Special



OTC Members at September gathering. L-R: Jerry Tritz, Tom Krise, Jen Nielsen, Tom Ruttan, Tom Nielsen, and Nils Olson.

September Garage Crawl at the Nielsen's

The September event was held at the Nielsen's where we toured Tom's garage and shop and enjoyed a Mexican lunch. After lunch, Tom led a ride on back roads to Lafayette and back along the winding Wilsonville Road.

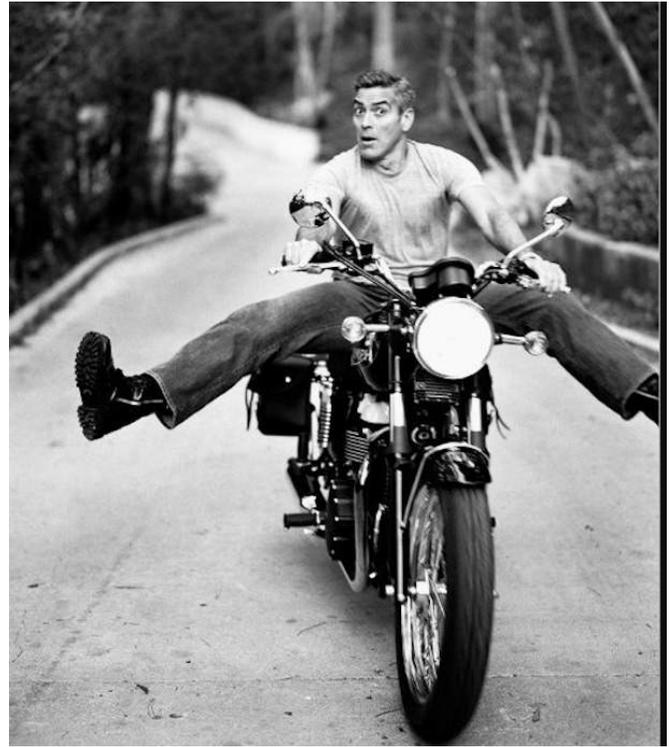
This meeting was the last official duty of Jennifer Nielsen as OTC President. She was presented with a patch showing her tenure as president from 2016 to 2022. THANKS JENNIFER !



Jennifer Nielsen receiving her gift of an embroidered patch on her safety vest.

Celebrities on Motorcycles

Who are these familiar faces on two wheels? Answers on page 13.





Evergreen National, Colville WA

Colville, WA has a population of about 5,000, is north-northwest of Spokane about 65 miles as the crow flies, and about 20 miles south of the Canadian border. Registration was on Monday, September 19th with rides on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The Evergreen club did a fantastic job, with route maps and fun stuff like a 50-50 raffle and a bug bullseye event. For the latter you buy a 3x5 card for \$1 and place it on the front of your bike with painters tape. There's a small hole in the card. At the end of the day, the person who has a bug impact closest to the hole wins the half pot (they split it with a charity). Evergreen got Russ Brown to sponsor them, which OTC does, but one thing they had RB do that we had not done was have them print the maps and the poster sizes for daily schedules. The maps were in color and on heavy paper. If you've ever checked the price of color copies, it is a killer. It would've been several hundred dollars to print color maps for our event – luckily we had copies donated by our own John Davey and River Roofing.

The rides were through beautiful north country. Its not an exaggeration to say after we got out of town, you saw maybe three cars. I don't recall more than a couple times where I had a car behind me.

The first days ride was about 175 miles south on back roads to Chewelah to Usk on the Flowery Trail Road along mountain ridges and rivers to the town of Usk. Then north along the east side of the Pend Oreille River to Metaline Falls. Then back to Colville on nicely paved meandering Highway 20.

Day 2 was west across the Columbia River to Curlew, Chesaw, and Molson. This was really open rangeland. I stopped in Curlew at the general store and was greeted by Dan, who could've been the Chamber of Commerce. He told me all about the town and knew our group was coming through. I sat on the front porch of the store and chatted with he and two other locals while I finished my coffee. Dan said to get back to Highway 21, make a left at the stop sign and cross the bridge and go left on 21. Well, when I got to the bridge, it was a one-lane, wooden plank job. At least it was post Civil War. The underlying planks ran left to right, and on top are planks in the direction of travel formed a track for each tire of a car. I took a gulp, thinking, "OK, here we go" and buzzed across.



Tom Nielsen at registration with Evergreen members Shaun Brown, Kathy Payne, Sharri Deem, and President Madeline Malmgren.



Riders taking a break on the Flowery Trail Road west of Usk



Wooden plank bridge in Curlew

Evergreen National, Colville WA (cont'd)

Following the route to Chesaw, where the ranches were even further apart. Our destination was the town of Molson, established for mining and farming, now a ghost town about 2 miles from the Canadian border. (although there still are a few full time residents). There are numerous open air displays of farming and mining equipment, the old bank and post office, which are open for exploring. The school, built in 1914 and remained open until 1969. It is now a museum. I thought, I could have gone to grammar school here. I was greeted by a docent and I asked her if there was anyone still around who went to school here? She said why I did, graduated high school in the class of 1958. She took me over to a wall of photos and there was a picture of her graduating class of seven. She said she had lived all over but when she retired, decided to come home. I was so engrossed in the museum, I missed lunch (Madeline had warned us at riders brief not to do what I just did). I made it out of the museum in time to follow the group to the group photo near the bank.



Molson School/Museum



Molson High Alumni Joyce Rise, Class of '58



Evergreen National attendees in Molson, WA



Evergreen National, Colville WA (cont'd)

Day 3 was about 125 miles and went north of Colville along Deep Lake and skimmed the Canadian border. Speaking of the border, I forgot to mention that on the first day, three riders, all Evergreen members, took an optional loop and strayed across the Canadian border. Somehow they did not see the armed guards, line of cars, or think to stop at the gate. They got a stern lecture and were released on their own recognizance.

I had decided that I really enjoyed riding away from the group(s). After all, many riders were older than I, had worse eyesight and reaction time, and were riding bikes with drum brakes 😊. Just kidding. But really, riding apart from the group was a treat. So often with our club I am in a group and watching to make sure we are all together. This way, I can stop when I please and smell the roses.

Along Deep Lake, I stopped to take a picture, and three folks from Wisconsin were setting up for a selfie with their bikes. I offered to take the photo for them. One of the three asked for me to take a picture of him with his bike. I obliged, but suggested he stand in front of the bike and towards the back, to have his body mask the milk crate on the fender of his Knucklehead. He said oh no, that is my signature look! His bike was a 1946 and I shared I had a '46 UL. We got to talking and he said "You don't know who I am." I said I didn't. "Well, I am Don Dzurick, the retired Chief AMCA Judge." Neat guy. I had lots of very detailed questions. We nerded out for a while.

The ride continued along the border, then south through North Port and along the Columbia River on the beautiful and also remote North Port-Flat Creek Road.

Jen and I were staying in our truck camper at the fairgrounds. She was staying put, taking care of our 6 month old labrador and catching up on writing her cookbook. We visited with other folks at the fairground who were at the event and enjoyed several evenings trading stories.

Evergreen had the banquet at the fairgrounds and the spread was very nicely done by a local caterer. There were several OTC members attending the National, including John Crawford from BC, Mike and Shaun Brown of Tenino, Vahan Dinihanian, and Phil and Theo Battaglia. Other familiar folks who I saw that often come to our events included John Bowes, Mike Lamb, Ken Nagahara, Dan Dionne, and Danny Lewis.



Above Pend Oreille River near Metaline Falls



The Columbia River above North Port



Tom and Jen Nielsen with Don Dzurick, retired Chief AMCA Judge



1957 HD FL. Was a South African Police bike. Bike had South Carolina plates and owner from same. He trailed across country, included a stop at Sturgis. Naturally, he won the furthest trailed award.



2022 Activity Calendar Oregon Trail Chapter, AMCA

Month	Activity
October 25 th 7 PM	OTC Business Conference Call Note October call is not on typical schedule. All members welcome. Call in details below.
2 nd Tuesday Each Month 7 PM	OTC Business Conference Call All members welcome Call 971-256-0996, then enter code 412341
October event	TBA
November Date TBA 10 AM	Museum Help Day NWVCM, Powerland, Brooks, OR Help for a couple hours to support our longtime partner. Then enjoy lunch and socializing.

SUBMISSIONS TO NEWSLETTER:

Please submit article contributions, classified advertisements, photos, trip reports, and suggestions. Prefer Word or Adobe PDF for text and .jpg or PDF for graphics to tomandjen@shadyapple.com

Thanks, Tom Nielsen, Editor

Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists

OVM monthly meetings at noon on second Saturday of month at Horse Brass Pub in Portland.

<http://www.oregonvintage.org>

Vintage Motorcycle Enthusiast

Portland Chapter on the third Saturday of Every Month at noon at See See Coffee at 1642 Sandy Blvd., Portland, OR

<http://www.vmemc.org>

Celebrities on Motorcycles

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Upper Right: George Clooney

Center Left: Sylvester Stallone

Lower Right: Elizabeth Taylor

Diane Cox to be Inducted into Washington State Motorcycle Hall of Fame

On October 8th, Diane Cox, the first female professional expert flat track racer, will be inducted into the Washington State Motorcycle HOF. Diane was a regular at the Castle Rock TT and at Sidewinders in Portland. She grew up in Salem and in her junior and expert years rode Trackmaster Triumphs sponsored by Suzuki Sports Center.

The event will take place at Emerald Downs in Auburn, WA. Doors open at 4:30 PM.

<https://wsmchof.org>



DISCOUNTS FOR AMCA & OTC

SEE SEE COFFEE gives **10% off** to all OTC/AMCA members. Just show your AMCA member card. Good for beverages and food.



CLASSIFIEDS

Looking to buy any pre-1970 Oregon or California motorcycle license plates.

Looking to buy any pre-1985 Harley motorcycles, basket cases, or parts piles.

Tim in Cottage Grove (408) 687-0635

Classifieds

OTC members get one, half-page ad with a photo for motorcycle related items each newsletter issue. Additional half-page ads and non-OTC members are \$10 each. Ads run for two issues.

Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America June 14, 2022

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM by conference call.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Martin Doerfler, VP, Tom Nielsen Secretary, John Davey Treasurer, Bill Quaccia Activities Coordinator.

Other Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

Treasurer's Report: Club remains in the black. John will send an updated financial report.

Minutes: Reading of minutes was waived. See newsletter.

Correspondence:

- ✓ Jen contacted caterer for rally: Lone Star BBQ.
- ✓ Jen contacted Fort Sutter re OTC booth which Bill will set up as part of his booth. They cannot waive fee for Bill since he is selling items.
- ✓ Jen spoke to Keith Kizer re minimum officers required to keep club alive; President, VP, and a combined Secretary/Treasurer.
- ✓ Tom N sent an email notice to 62 past rally attendees inviting them to our upcoming rally.
- ✓ Michelle at Powerland said she has been receiving calls regarding camping.
- ✓

Old Business:

- ✓ 2022 Rally
 - Tom R – venue, RV/camping at Powerland, one ride route, registration help.
 - Martin – off site lodging (motel).
 - John – trailer, water, copies, pre-registration, on-site check-in help, take in money.
 - Bill – sag wagon coordinator, registration help.
 - Tom N – one route, rally registration form, welcome packet, registration help.
 - Nils – one route.
 - Jen – caterer, spreadsheet for John.
 - Jen will call inactive members to encourage them to attend, socialize, come to banquet.
 - Jen will make Costco run for rally.
 - On Monday, July 11, officers meet at Powerland by 11 AM to assemble swag bags. All should bring a lunch or plan to buy one.
 - Discussed potential rides. Martin has suggested route to Mollala River
- ✓ Reviewed upcoming events:
 - June 17-18 Fort Sutter. Bill be put up OTC banner and have rally flyers at his booth.
 - July 11-14 rally at Powerland.
 - August – Set date as 27th in Eugene. John will plan a ride.
 - September. To hold a garage crawl at Nielsen's.
 - To hold officer election in June at Tim's as usually have good turn out. Should get officer-elects to attend rally registration to get oriented.

New Business:

- ✓ At the meeting in June, tried to hold elections, but no one stepped up for role of president. Must have a president for club to continue.
- ✓ John will send out updated roster. Have two new members.
- ✓ Requested newsletter contributions.

Next business meeting/conference call – July 5th at 7 PM. Note this is first Tuesday, but need to finalize details for rally. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Minutes by Tom Nielsen.



Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America July 5, 2022

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM by conference call.

Meeting to focus on rally preparations, to waive typical meeting agenda items.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Tom Nielsen Secretary, Martin Doerfler, VP, John Davey Treasurer, Bill Quaccia Activities Coordinator.

Other Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

- ✓ Projected number of attendees. Expect 10-15.
- ✓ Confirmed Bill will need a co-driver with chase truck. Routes are complex and will need assistance with maps.
- ✓ Martin can help on chase truck one day, Spike can help another, and Tom R will do a third day.
- ✓ Bill will bring a can of gas, bring a cooler, ice and a fire extinguishers. Tom N has first aid supplies and other items for chase truck.
- ✓ Tom N to get items for copying to John by Thursday. Will include ORS headlight reg, waivers, welcome packet, and maps.
- ✓ John has three 3-gallon water jugs to refill water bottles.
- ✓ Jen would like to do registration outside.
- ✓ There is a refrigerator at Powerland that we can use.
- ✓ Tom R said there will be other clubs at the museum that we need to accommodate. On Tuesday the OR Tractor Pull Assoc is meeting at 6:30 PM. On Thursday the Model A club is meeting at about 6:30 PM.
- ✓ Tom R will set up a special gate code so rally attendees can get into Powerland.
- ✓ Reminded everyone to bring raffle items.
- ✓ John confirmed he can MC the banquet awards.
- ✓ Bill to bring the banner.
- ✓ We will start set up at 11 AM.
- ✓ Tom R reminded us that Thursday is a regular work day at museum between 9 AM and 4 PM. We need to work around. We will be setting up for banquet about 4 PM.
- ✓ Caterer to drop of meals. Have three choices of meat, corn bread. Jen will pick up a Costco dessert.
- ✓ Tom R to run his route with Nils tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned. Minutes by Tom Nielsen.

Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America July 14, 2022

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 5:25 PM at Powerland. by conference call.

Meeting to focus on rally banquet, prizes, and raffle. to waive typical meeting agenda items.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Tom Nielsen Secretary, John Davey Treasurer.

Other Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

Oldest Rider: Tom R, Youngest: Tim Burns, Hard Luck: Reed Rothchild, Longest Rider: Paul Thomas from Sonoma, CA, Longest Trailered: Bill Q.

Had eleven attendees.

Meeting adjourned. Minutes by Tom Nielsen.

Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America August 9, 2022

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM by conference call.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Martin Doerfler, VP, Tom Nielsen Secretary, John Davey Treasurer, Bill Quaccia Activities Coordinator.

Other Attendees: Tom Ruttan.

Treasurer's Report: Club remains in the black. John believes we made some money at rally. John depart Friday for out of state trip. He will prepare a rally financial report.

Minutes: Reading of minutes was waived. See newsletter.

Correspondence:

- ✓ Jen – had emails with Keith Kizer re club continuation. Keith will be at Tenino swap meet and Jen will attend to discuss.
- ✓ Received email from Bill Tubesing from Madras re Shovel parts. Tom N and he talked.
- ✓ Jen sent thank-you cards to sponsors and rally helpers.



Old Business:

- ✓ 2022 Rally Recap
 - Small numbers, but was fun. Had ten riders with full payment. One partial. Four additional at the banquet.
 - Good rides. Thanks to Tom R, Tom N, and Nils for setting up rides.
 - Rally assessment – opinions on what went well, improvements needed?
 - Bill Q suggests we consider EVENT BRITE. They do it all for events. They hold back 10% [note still need to give them basic information like lodging, dates, and we still need to plan rides].
 - John D would like to ensure all bikes are in good condition so we don't all wait for someone with mechanical issues. Someone chimed in that at other rallies, folks would not have waited.
 - Bill Q said he absolutely needed an assistant driver to help in recovery truck. That went very well for him.
 - Tom N said we now have good rides at John Day, Cottage Grove, Rainbow, and Powerland. Rainbow may still have some road closures due to fires.
 - Tom N said we absolutely have to do registration on a computer as folks arrive. To do it manually means that information then needs to be entered into computer at a later time, which makes more work. We have a spreadsheet with rally attendees going back many years.
 - [Relevant item not brought up at meeting: at Colville National, Evergreen had Russ Brown make their copies for free and in color.]
 - Tom N noted that we need to get AMCA certificate of insurance forms completed sooner and sent to National. [note that AMCA insurance includes \$4 million of liability plus medical insurance].
 - The water bottles and large jugs of water worked well.
 - Tom N suggested that next time, we should not do a welcome packet. Sponsors and schedule can be posted on an 11x17 or poster sheet at registration table.
 - Tom N said don't need a president's letter.
 - Jen suggested we do waivers like at One Show. They have one sheet with waiver information and one sheet that everyone signs, stating they agree to conditions on that waiver condition sheet. [Would only need to include their AMCA number and insurance information.]

- Jen suggests we either need to have caterer to full set up and clean up, or go to restaurant. That alleviates members from set up and clean up.
- Tom N said should have done better at delegating sign production, placement, and take down before rally.

New Business:

- ✓ Tom R brought up that OVM newsletter showed ride to Tillson's with our club. Tom N acknowledged. Jen had notified Tilson and Matt that we were doing another activity in August. Not sure why OVM still listed us.
- ✓ Club Continuation/Dissolution
 - Still need a president for club to remain in AMCA. Min. officers required per AMCA: Pres, VP, Sec/Treas. (can be combined).
 - Have volunteers for VP (Tim B), Treasurer (John D), Secretary (Tom N on fence).
 - Jen and Tom meeting with Ross Metcalf and Keith Kizer (AMCA Pres. & Executive Dir.) at Tenino Swap meet on August 19th regarding club continuation/dissolution.
 - If club dissolves, bylaws have money to be divided between members who have been active past two consecutive years. Other items in inventory should be split as well.
 - September 1st is deadline for getting a new OTC president. Bylaws require we hold an election and will need time to have election before end of terms for current officers.
 - Jen will send an email to members to discuss club continuation/dissolution.
 - John asked about James McQuiston. Tom N said James was still undecided. Jen has talked to James.
 - Jen said last couple of years, it has just been officers showing up at events/meetings, with perhaps one or two other people.
 - John said people can just get together, be more relaxed. Martin concurred, doesn't need to be a big production.
- ✓ Jen was contacted by a mystery book author, Linda Kuhlmann. Linda would like to include OTC in her book. Linda and her husband came to rally and toured the museum and looked at our bikes. Linda will include Jen's 1978 Sportster for one of her characters and include our logo.

Next business meeting/conference call – September 13th at 7 PM. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Minutes by Tom Nielsen.



Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America September 13, 2022

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM by conference call.

Officers in Attendance: Jen Nielsen Pres., Martin Doerfler, VP, Tom Nielsen Secretary, John Davey Treasurer, Bill Quaccia Activities Coordinator.

Other Attendees: Tom Ruttan, Bruce Reichelt, James Radway.

Treasurer's Report: Club remains in the black. John prepared financial report from rally. Not counting costs we incurred in 2021, which did carry over, we made money. But when include 2021 costs (T-shirt, SWAG, water bottles, AMCA ad, rider awards), we lost about \$120 (should not include service award to Tom R).

Tom N asked if there were more gas receipts – some folks said they need to check. Tom N also noted that some items such as water bottles, some SWAG, and T-shirts will be available for 2023 and will help offset costs at that time.

Minutes: Reading of minutes was waived. See newsletter.

Correspondence:

- ✓ James McQuiston volunteered to take role of president.
- ✓ Tom N sent out ballots on August 21st for officer elections by email and snail-mail to members.
- ✓ Jen, Tom N, and James McQ met with Keith Kizer and Ross Metcalf at Tenino Swap meet to discuss club continuation. Ross and Keith described some national resources that can help with rallies: National can collect money and set up list of registrants. They then send us a check. Downside is that National's programs are very complicated (like telling you how to fly the space shuttle when you want to learn to ride a bike).

Old Business:

- ✓ John said a big thank you to James McQ for volunteering.
- ✓ Had a great ride in Eugene on August 27th. John rode his "new" 1974 Moto Guzzi El Dorado police special.

- ✓ In September, to have garage crawl at Nielsen's on Sunday the 25th. Will do a ride afterwards, weather permitting.
- ✓ James Radway volunteered to set up an event at the Harley shop in Eugene, where he works.

New Business:

- ✓ Election results. New Officers Terms Begin October 1:
 - James McQuiston, President. (James returns from Europe October 20th.)
 - Tim Burns, VP
 - Tom Nielsen, Secretary
 - John Davey, Treasurer
- ✓ Officer Transition thoughts and suggestions. Tom N suggested officers have a face-to-face meeting to brainstorm ideas for club.
- ✓ Upcoming Club Events
 - October – Suggestions needed. Bend get together at Spoken Moto?
 - November – Museum Work Day. Need to set a date.
 - December - Holiday Party – Tim Burns volunteered to host at his place. Date TBA.
- ✓ Other?
 - Martin said there was an ABATE swap meet on October 9th from 10 to 4 at Elk Lodge 142 in Milwaukie. [\$5 admission].
 - Martin also said that Diane Cox, first female professional flat track racer, was being inducted into the Washington Motorcycle Hall of Fame.

Next business meeting - James and Tim are away in early October. After this meeting, Tom N confirmed a conference call on October 25th at 7 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Minutes by Tom Nielsen.