

Region 14
RC – George Bennett
Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2019

Meeting called to order 4:17 pm by Hot Rod.

Hot Rod: Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence in honor of a member passing away.

George: Thanked everybody that was able to make it to the 6th Annual Motorcycle Show today.

Treasurers report: Coco. Motion to accept: Hot Rod, Second Jackson.

George: Casino Bus Trip coming up November 2 and buses are filling up fast! ABATE will be at the American Legion on October 25 for all the trick-or-treaters that show up (bring candy!). George shared a graph that he had of how much the temperature of your tires go up as the tire pressure goes down.

Legislative - Dondi Vesprini: Reviewed the bill that passed in May RE: No Fault Reform and how the insurance companies railroaded the bill to get it through legislature. Normally it can take 3-12 months for a bill to pass and this one passed in record time of 36 hours. This bill is really bad for all bikers. The good news is that we have until July 2020 to fix it! On September 17, Senate Bill No. 528 was introduced. See the October 2019 Michigan Rider, pages 8-9 about the possible fix and contacting your legislature! Everybody needs to call their Senator about this!

Hot Rod:

- Amos and Julie presented their first awareness class and it went well.
- Presentations made for monies that were raised from our Suicide Prevention and Motorcycle Awareness event were presented to Gabby's Ladder, American Legion Post 268 and balance was given to ABATE of Michigan. We will be doing our 2nd Annual Suicide Prevention and Motorcycle Awareness event again next year (and it will be bigger and better!).
- Region 14 gave Louri a card as she's mending after knee surgery.
- September birthdays
- October 11 is Pinckney High School's homecoming and if we can work it out, we'd like as many to show up and we'll escort one of the physically challenged students in the parade with a ride in the motorcycle's side car.
- If anybody has any ideas of how to make ABATE more visible, send your ideas to the Board.

George:

- Hopefully we'll have a Fall Color Run coming up to McCourtie Park in Somerset Twp. And we'll have a couple vehicles follow with supplies to have a picnic in the park.
- Trying to get Kid Rock still for a video about ABATE.

Down Biker fund raffle completed by Shiny Bob and Steve was the winner and donated all monies back to the fund

50/50 raffle was won by Wendy and donated all of the monies back to the Downed Biker Fund.

Next meeting: October 27 @ 4:00 pm.

Meeting called to adjourn by Hot Rod, seconded by Bill.

Respectfully submitted for Region 14.