



Monthly Meeting 'Minutes' - November 18, 2014
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Introductions if new people – 21 attended, no new members attended

November Monthly Ride Lynn, after no one volunteered, stepped up last minute to coordinate a ride to Waterloo. They reported it was a great day for a ride and the restaurant was very cool. Because there wasn't time to do a pre-ride, Lynn said they discovered a bridge was out and did some back tracking and turn-arounds but worked their way to Waterloo. She recommends that people always do pre-rides.

WOW Points Tammy announced the total miles our club rode (251,015 (or 10x around the globe). With 44 participants and 65 motorcycles. She showed and emailed a graph of each person's miles, with our leader Jennifer with 19,053. Avg miles 5700

Spring Fling 2015 Lynn, Tammy, and Jeanie have selected May 16-18 at Asilomar State park www.visitasilomar.com. Watch for emails for details and get your rooms now, as state parks fill up fast.

2014 Holiday Party Janet is coordination the party and sent out a flyer with details. Dec. 7th 11:30-3pm. This will be a potluck with an optional \$20 (moto related) gift exchange. Some mentioned they only got 1/2 the flyer, so check the Event page of our website, as it has been posted. Janet would like you to email her if you plan to attend so she can get a headcount (to help her setup). THANK YOU to A&S for once again offering your showroom for our event. We love the holiday 'motorcycle' decorations - someone said.

GCR 2015 Elections and Officers/Coordinators - Cindy G.

The volunteers were announced (no voting was required as all ran unopposed) and an updated GCR 2015 Volunteer document is included with this minutes email (Note I corrected Mari's email address). A separate email was sent out to the members after the meeting, noting we have only one (co) position to fill and giving thanks to all the past, present and future GCR volunteers.

Cindy also circulated a 2015 Ride Coordinator Sign-up sheet. Fran (our 2015 Mentor/Coordinator for Rides & Events) can be contacted if you want to lead a monthly ride July-Dec or plan the Fall jam (the rest have been signed up for). Sign ups so far, also included with this minutes email.

A&S Updates - Dave attended and says to come check out their new, user friendly, show room layout. Also mentioned were some benefits of being a BMW member. See BMWMOA.org for info and for an opportunity to get in on a \$100 raffle for a motorcycle. There will be a Dec. 23rd memorial ride for a member who was killed by careless driver.

December 2014 Club Ride There seemed to be questions as to whether a Dec. 13th ride should be planned. Linda asked the attendees and responses were mixed. There were several who said they would go on one, but no one volunteered to plan it. So, if you want to plan one, try to preride it first and then get out the Information before Decembers, as some will join you.

Safety and Bike Presentation Vicki arranged for a cold weather motorcycle gear fashion show. Jennifer, Mari, Lynn, Molly and Tammy demonstrated what they wear and shared some tips for keeping warm. Here's a few of the recommendations I captured:

- * Persons with motorcycle fairings, grip heaters and heaters (really Jennifer - on the Goldwing) of course didn't need as much, but recommend that you prepare to stay warm if you have a breakdown. She's ridden comfortably down to 20 degrees. Use your cooling vest (no wetted) for an extra layer of warmth and full face/head covers under the helmet. Carry waterproof outfits (cheap@walmart).
- * Lynn's BMW has little protection from the wind and cold so wears the electric vest (which are unreliable so have backups), neckbuff; many layers (and she can still touch her toes).
- * Molly recommends extra gloves; arm sleeve covers; heated jacket; long johns; ski socks etc.
- * Tammy, with dirt bike gear also learned that you should carry layers, starting out light and add on as you need, and always be prepared for breakdowns. Extra jersey. Padding protection adds extra warmth. Water hydration was mentioned twice - just because it's not hot out, you still need plenty of water to keep your body temperature regulated. Consider that your dirt bike helmet lets in a lot of air so protect your face and neck. Regular (riding) and heavy gloves (potential breakdowns) Chest Protector Bra is optional
- * Mari, knowing Harley riders must wear leather, demonstrated how you can put layers under and over your leathers to keep warm. She also showed a very compact coat (Northface thermoball) and several recommended various brands of under garments.
- * Nobody seems to have issues with their footwear. Some have needed to add bags (paper/plastic) places for extra warmth. 3 finger gloves keep you warmer than 5. Water proof covers for shoes, especially w/zippers is helpful). Carry energy snacks.

THANK YOU VICKI AND TEAM FOR THE ENTERTAINING DEMONSTRATION. Thank you Sarah for the abundance of Bay Leaves.
THIS CONCLUDES THE NOVEMBER 2014 MEETING MINUTES.

