

# Kootenai Road Dogs

## Meeting Minutes

October 02, 2008

Coordinator Dale Ohrt called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

14 members and 2 guests attended

### Membership Report:

The Chapter membership is 41.

Dave Cazel reported Corey Dwinell's name is not on the membership roster.

### Secretary's Report:

The September minutes were read and accepted.

### Treasurer's Report:

### Announcements & Correspondence:

NONE

### Guest Speaker:

NONE

### Safety & Training.

Dave Cazel reported that Idaho STAR has reserved the CDA airport for next year's training. STAR is sending 3 instructors in October to Trike & Sidecar training with Evergreen Safety Council. Star will be ready to conduct STEP courses next year.

Dave Cazel all Chapter offices be certified in the AMA Risk Management program.

### Legislative Activity:

Dave reported the DOT is formulating new 'standards' for helmets, including a new 'DOT' sticker required to be under the final clear coat paint of the helmet.

### Awareness:

- Dan Ertz summarized several safety topics from the October, 2008 'Friction Zone'. The first addressed situational awareness when approaching multiple threats.
- The need to regularly practice emergency braking and understanding both the rider and equipment limits is shown in the 'Friction Zone' article.
- A manufacturer's recall of m/c tires is shown on page 40.
- Scott and Rachel Smith are home recovering after their accident in California 2 weeks ago. CA state is picking up their medical costs for hit & run victims.

### Runs & Events

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> Kootenai and Hoodoo Highway Clean-up Dave 765-3527

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> ABATE State meeting, 4 Seasons, Moscow, ID

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> Cruisers Annual Ride to the Maze- Sheri 773-4706

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Kootenai Abate, Toys for Tots Run -Dale 762-2364, 660-7029

Dec. 14 Bikers Christmas service at Cruisers bar, Stateline, ID, 11:00 am, Pastor Ernie, 762-3953

## **Old Business:**

- Trike and Sidecar Training: STAR Class will be held next year at the CDA airport in Hayden. STAR will send 3 instructors in October to Evergreen Safety Council for training.
- **Toys for Tots:**
  - Paul R reported the Toys for Tots run flyers and Raffle posters were printed and delivered to Tim & Denise.
  - Denise turned in \$\$ collected to date from 'Dogging'.
  - Tim brought & distributed the T4T collection boxes.
  - Denise reported Wal-Mart is contributing 300 pieces of chicken for the potluck.
  - Denise reported the new sponsors and some not available this year.
  - Lone Wolf HD has contributed a rider's jacket for the raffle prize.
  - Other Raffle prizes include a custom made quilt and an HD lamp.
  - A pancake breakfast will not work, this year, at Lone Wolf.
  - Raffle ticket colors are: purple= Jacket; Red = Quilt; Orange = Lamp; other = general.
  - Susan Taylor will run the potluck food call chain.
  - Tom & Susan T will be Santas at Lone Wolf HD on 11/29 and 12/06 from 10 am to 4.
  - Dan Benson has a collection of toys to be available in November.
  - Denise said the Grail is a go.
- Dave Cazel reported the Highway 95 Cleanup on Oct. 04 may be light on Hoodoo members as they are reorganizing. It is Kootenai's turn to buy the drinks at the Lingerlonger's potluck. Meet time is 9:30 am at Sunrise road.
- Dale & Paul picked up the banner signs HS from Kootenai HS in Harrison made for advertising that the clean up is being done by bikers. The two banners cost \$\$

## **New Business:**

### **Meeting of the Minds:**

Dave Cazel gave thorough report on the meeting in Denver, also attended with Tom Taylor. There were 42 different m/c safety and legislative issues presented by the ABATE delegations. Dave noted the MRF is experiencing financial shortfalls, perhaps resulting in a curtailment of some traditional services. MRF has renamed their annual safety award to be known as the 'Ron Sheppard' award, in recognition of Idaho's STAR program former Director. Dave reminded all to regularly check 'MRF.org/alerts' for issues from Washington, DC. Dave has been networking with ICMS and recommended all ABATE officers join.

### **Open Forum:**

A motorcycle plaque was won by Denise Mills. The Holiday Fund received \$\$.

Next meeting will be November 06, 2008.

Meeting was adjourned at 08:30 PM

Paul Riess, Secretary.