



ABATE OF NORTH IDAHO KOOTENAI CHAPTER ROAD DOG AGENDA

*To Guard and Protect the Individual Rights of All Persons Interested in Motorcycling,
To Keep Them Informed of All Laws That Will Help or Hinder Them as Motorcyclists and to
Promote Safety, Brotherhood and Freedom for All Motorcycle Riders.*

OCTOBER 6, 2016

CALL TO ORDER TIME: 6:30pm **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** **CHECK FOR QUORUM:** We had a Quorum - 20 members
APPROVED AGENDA: Motion to Approve Agenda by Keith McKinney, Seconded by Clark Anderson

APPOVE MINUTES: Motion to approve minutes from September 1st meeting by Chris Benson, Seconded by Mike Lundy

WELCOME GUESTS: Carey Vasquez and Drew Graham (Ruff Ryders) , Bryce Kemp (Knights of Artemis), Karen Westmorland

GUEST SPEAKER: Carey Vasquez told about the Ruff Ryders who have a membership of over 3 million worldwide. They have just started a chapter in Idaho. Ruff Ryders are dedicated to helping the community and they are putting together a rummage sale that will be held on November 6th at Runge's Furniture parking lot. They are looking for donations.

COORDINATOR REPORT: (Belinda Wright-Ertz) Belinda asked Dan Ertz (State Coordinator) to explain a little bit about ABATE for the benefit of our guests. Belinda then reported on picking up other people's garbage along the ANI portion of Hwy 95. The report was called "Wisdom From Other Peoples Garbage". She shared a good experience one that she looks forward to again in Spring.

DEPUTY COORDINATOR REPORT: (Paul Riess) Paul shared that the 1st Toy Run for Kootenai Chapter was held in 1989. He encouraged everyone to pass out flyers to get people out to support Children's Village.

TREASURERS REPORT: (Susan Riess) Treasurer's Report was read and a motion was made by Dan Ertz to accept the report, it was seconded by Chris Benson.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: (Belinda Carson) **current members 89 new members 2** / New members WD and Paula Wegner were warmly welcomed into Kootenai Chapter

Reminder we have Life Flight - Pro-rated membership amount for Nov.. start date: \$ 22.50 – must be in Belinda Ertz hands no later than **10/15/16 *** Check MUST be made out to ANI for \$22.50.**

AMBASSADOR AT LARGE: (Duane Justus) – Duane was unable to be at the meeting as he was moving, but he passed on that he has a \$100 donation to the Toy Run from Adele Motors in Hauser Lake and they have challenged all other shops in the area to donate equal or more.

SECRETARY REPORT / CORRESPONDENCE: (Theresa Dittman) – Theresa was unable to attend meeting due to a conflict of a night class she is taking. With the new job and full time night school Theresa asked to step down from the Secretary position. Kerrie and Clark Anderson have volunteered to take over the job until the end of the year.

LEGISLATIVE: (Dave Cazel) – Meeting of the Minds Report Dave gave an informative report on his attendance of Meeting of the Minds in Oklahoma. This conference addresses things that concern motorcyclists all over the nation and educates them on what they need to do at State level and what the MRF is doing on a Federal Level. He very much appreciated the opportunity to be sent by ANI as their representative. The report is on the Web Site and Facebook.

EVENT: Belinda Ertz proposed a November 19th Event at the Hayden Cinemas – Cheap Theatre Night – More information coming.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ✓ **Toy Run** – Belinda "Tigger" Carson reported that everything is coming together for the Toy Run. She brought (3) different sizes of Posters/Flyers and asked that everyone please take some and get them posted. The ride will start at 9am for sign up at Lawrence's Motorcycles and Dan Ertz will lead the ride to the area Super 1 Stores where Santa will interact with the kids and we will pick up toys from the donation boxes. We will have a lunch at CDA Motorsports of their AWESOME chili and then on to Children's Village where the kids will be allowed to come out and see the motorcycles. Please bring a toy or money donation. There will be a trophy for the best decorated bike and we will be raffling or auctioning a refurbished wooden motorcycle on rockers. We are partnering with Ruff Riders with our support of Children's Village. They were kind enough to re-schedule their event so some of their members could attend our Toy Ride and we are asking members for rummage sale donations for their Rummage Sale on November 6th. Information will be posted on Face Book in regard

where to donate or you can call Belinda Ertz or email Kootenai email for information.

- ✓ **Highway Cleanup – Report** – Mike Lundy said the clean up went very well. He thought we would have a low showing due to the rain but was very pleased to see 15 – 18 people show up. He said it all went well we picked up 48 bags of trash and the next clean up is April 1st.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ **Holiday Family** – Belinda Ertz asked if anyone had any suggestions on a Holiday Family. She then shared that one of Charter Members of ANI has been diagnosed with cancer and he and his wife (who is a Hoodoo Member/Kootenai Member) could use some help. Their immediate need is cord wood for winter. Traditionally we purchase a Holiday meal, gifts for the kids and provide canned food for the pantry. In this case the food would not be applicable as he is on a special diet. Belinda suggested we could purchase the wood with part of the funds and then find another family that would fit our normal criteria. Dan Ertz made a motion to use all the funds to help the family, John Johnson seconded the motion. Chris Benson made a motion that we use the money for the ANI members in need and donate the canned goods that have been collected to Children’s Village. Mike Lundy seconded the motion. Keith McKinney and Clark Anderson volunteered to check into the cord wood and Belinda Ertz said she would find out where they are purchasing their food and will get a gift certificate from that source.
- ✓ **Nominations for Officers** – Belinda Ertz reminded everyone that nominations for officers are next month and to be thinking about a position you are interested in volunteering to serve or thinking about someone else that would be good to nominate.
- ✓ **Donation for Raffle for Dennis Wheeler** – Belinda Ertz brought in a flyer she received in the email regarding Dennis Wheeler who was in an auto accident. They are asking for donations for an auction to help with medical expenses. Dennis Wheeler is a person who has been helpful in the past with the Toy Run. John Johnson made a motion that we donate \$100 to the fund for Dennis Wheeler and provide an ANI/Kootenai Road Dog Tee Shirt for the auction. Belinda Carson seconded the motion.
- ✓ **First Responder / First Aid Class** - Belinda Ertz brought up the idea of the Chapter taking an First Responder/First Aid class, possibly in February. She asked for members to network to find sources and information for this class. Kootenai Chapter has had three of their members hit by cars this year and the Aces for Faces ride had a rider leave the road and needed to be air lifted to Kootenai Medical Center. She felt that it might be something we should look into. Many members said they would be interested in a class and it was suggested that Gary from Axmen might be a good source to ask.
- ✓ **Emergency Information Cards** – Belinda Ertz asked if the Chapter would back her on a proposal to the BOD to purchase emergency information cards that could be passed around to the Chapters (and possibly other organizations) to hand out on rides. Keith McKinney called the State Patrol and was told that they are only allowed to look on your person, wallets and purses for information; they are not allowed to look in saddle bags. Belinda Carson shared that when she was in her accident no one knew she was there because she did not have emergency contact information on her. Belinda Ertz shared that she spoke with the Sheriff who was asking for information on the injured rider on the Aces For Faces ride and the only thing she could provide to him was his name and address from the sign in sheet. The cards would have pertinent information along with a notice that the card was provided by ABATE of North Idaho. The Chapter agreed to support her in asking the BOD.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH- Aces for Faces Aces for Faces raised enough money for 22 surgeries. Mike and Karen did an awesome job on the event. **Vet Food Drive** John Johnson said they did well in the Vets food drive and to let him know if we know of any Vets in need. Belinda Carson will report on the ALS walk next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm with a motion by John Johnson, Dave Cazel seconded the motion.

Shoulda, Woulda, Coulda was drawn and Andre’ Ney who was not at the meeting would have gone home \$25 richer

The 50/50 was won by Belinda Carson who donated it back to the Holiday Fund and we accepted a \$75 donation from a member for the Holiday Fund.

Respectfully Submitted - Kerrie Anderson / Belinda Ertz