Meeting Notes: Year End Meeting Notes: Chateau Moncton Oct 26/27, 2013

Attendance: <u>Back Row:</u> Denise P, Pam W, Peggy D, Kathy A, Betty W, Lynda E, Pearl L, Janet G, Anne W, Beth S, Vicki G, Heather H, Lynne C, Janet B, Gail N, Colleen F, Crystal C, Catherine L, Sylvia R, Cathy G, <u>Middle Row:</u> Nancy R, Joy F, Kathy G, Catherine D, Cheryl M, Kathy H, Elizabeth P, Peggy M, <u>Front Row:</u> Cheryl V, Sharon T, Jo M, Christine F, Shirley A, Denise M, Chris S



Welcome and Introductions

 Moment of silence for friends and family. In memory of Martha Holster NC/SC, Becky Haun OH and Pam Vickery NS

Reports

- District Director Report summary-Denise Pelrine DD
 - Thank you to all members for your support over the past year. It was a great pleasure and honor to be a part of this district and I look forward to the next two years!
 - 2013 was a very full and rewarding one with: website launch, membership growth, NB and NS motorcycle shows, International Female Ride Day, Atlanticade, Convention win! EC/AC Rally, local fundraisers and rides and oh so much more!.
 - I welcome feedback from members on how to improve our communications and specifically would like to know from new members if there is anything you know now that you wish you had known when you started.
 - I will be attending the MM Executive Board meeting in Daytona FLA on Jan 18/19 to present our convention budget as well as present the logo for approval
 - Thanks you to the ACMM committee members for your support and valued council over the past year!
- o Assistant District Director NB Heather H
 - Thanked members for the support and summarized what had been on the go for the summer
- Assistant District Director NS -Lynne C

- Thanked members for the support and summarized the season
- o Treasurer-Lynne C
 - Current balance as of Nov 8, 2013 is \$2349.85
 - \$243.85 ACMM account funds
 - \$2106.00 Convention 2015 fundraising total
- Website-Elizabeth P
 - Newly revised sections:
 - Main Page updated to include: Dissolve Fundraising Program, up-coming events, recent news, I Spy With My Biker's Eye contest entries, and more!
 - Member's only section: 2015 Convention Planning site (includes letter of introduction for members for vendor support requests), ACMM Apparel Order
 - Requested a co-editor for the website and advisory articles
- o History-Elizabeth P
 - Brought the history binder and t-shirts from past conventions.
 - Requested to have someone take on the role of ACMM Historian in 2014 and will work with that member during the transition
- o Social Secretary-Chris S
 - Sends cards, messages to members identified in the Biweekly Social updates. Donations to Bikers Down are made in memory of accident victims
- o Safety Officers- Christine F and Peggy D
 - Will reinstitute the safety notices on a quarterly basis.
 - Reminded members that May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness week and maybe could be something we continue to promote actively throughout the year
 - Spoke of reference books: Proficient Motorcycling and Ride Like a Pro

• 2014 Planning

- Monthly meetings were discussed. A decision was made to hold meetings in NB/PEI on the second full weekend of the month and in NS on the 4th full weekend of the month. Meetings may be held either on a Sat or Sun. Although we discussed having the meetings on a Sat, we have since decided to have the meeting day flexible to allow better options for members to attend. A schedule will be reviewed and posted in January. We will need volunteers to organize the meeting locations and will post a "call for volunteers" in the New Year when the dates are set.
- Contest Ideas for 2014 were discussed and a decision will be made in the New Year. Some of the ideas were: unique doors, custom bikes, 75 things to see/do in AC, tacky yard ornaments, light houses, best ride routes, anchors, tourist traps, county signs, river signs, look offs, unique animals, bridges, churches, unique mail boxes, welcome signs, patches.
- o <u>ACMM Apparel/Patches</u>: Samples of the Pit Crew shirts were on site for sizing. They are true to the chart that is available on the ACMM Website/member section/Apparel Order tab.
 - PLACE YOUR ORDER FOR SHIRTS BY NOV 25th.
 - These are completely voluntary shirts.
 - ACMM Logo will be placed on the front left chest
 - Shirts for members to wear at convention in Kerrville TX are yet to be decided on. Some members were concerned about the material and wanted wick away shirts. We also want to wait for the approval of the 2015 Convention logo before we have these shirts made. We will survey those members planning on attending convention in Kerrville as to the district shirts we will order.
 - ROCKER/PATCH orders- we can collect requests and place orders as needed or you can order directly with http://www.lpcustomembroidery.com
 - Large MM Crest Order: I will order some from the Motor Maid supply store and will get them at the Executive meeting in Jan

<u>ECN Convention support</u>: ECN have been very supportive in fundraising for our convention with raffles, neck coolers and vest extender sales and a donation from their membership funds. We are collecting items to give to them to use as raffle item (basket) at their Christmas party and Mothers Day event. If you have anything to add to this basket, please get to me by Jan 12th and I will take with me to TO on Jan 16th. We also signed a card for them in thanks for all their support.

O <u>Upcoming events</u>:

- Nov 23rd Moncton Santa Claus parade-contact Cheryl M for more information
- Nov 24th ACMM 12 noon brunch/meeting at the Canadiana Restaurant Bayer's Lake Halifax
- Feb 14-16th Moncton Motorcycle Show. Kathy H and Janet G are the organizers of this event. They will be needing volunteers to "woman" the table during the 3 days and help out on Fri night at Ladies Night.
- Mid-March: Halifax Motorcycle Show TBD
- First week of May Motorcycle Awareness Week
- May 2: International Female Ride Day
- June 27-30 Atlanticade PEI
- July 8-10 MM Convention in Kerrville TX
- July 19th Canadian Female Ride Day (ROAR fundraiser for women's shelter)
- July 26th Harmony Bazzar Event in Lockport-TBD. I had some discussion with the organizer and she is envisioning us actually being "the" parade and setting up a booth for a few hours to promote women's riding. At this point it looks like only option for women wishing to stay is to camp as other venues are booked well in advance. Also seems like there would be a charge to attend the event (\$40 vs. the regular \$80). We can discuss at an early 2014 meeting on how/if to proceed. I made no commitment.
- ECN/AC Rally Aug 8-10 location TBD likely QUE

• District Positions:

- District Director-Denise Pelrine (2013-2015)
- Past District Director- Anne Weeden
- Assistant District Director NB- Heather Henderson
- Assistant District Director NS- Lynne Campbell
- Treasurer-Lynne Campbell
- Website Editor- Elizabeth Pass
- Website Co-Editor-TBD
- Historian-TBD
- Safety Officers-Peggy Dingle & Christine Fernie
- Social Secretary-Chris Sprague
- Reviewed the process for District Director position. We had decided in 2010 to make the DD position a 3-year term. The MM President appoints the DD position although she does take into considerations recommendations of the district where possible.
- We have created 3 new positions and one vacant position to the ACMM District and are looking for members to submit their names if interested to Denise Pelrine by Nov 14th.
 - NB Co-Assistant District Director: with the growth of ACMM members in NB/PEI, we feel there is a need for a Co-ADD to assist the NB ADD with communication and organization. We did have a volunteer for this position at the meeting, but if you wish to put your name forward for consideration please send to Denise Pelrine by Nov 14th
 - Website Co-Editor: will work with Elizabeth to learn how to manage the website as well as assist with the quarterly Advisory submissions. We did have a volunteer for this position at the meeting, but if you wish to put your name forward for consideration please send to Denise Pelrine by Nov 14th

- ACMM Supply Officer: we would like a member to take on the position to oversee our ACMM supply orders (shirts, patches, rockers, printed material e.g. business cards) Denise P will work with this person during the transition. Please submit your name if you are interested in taking on this role.
- <u>Historian</u>: we would like a member to take on the reigns as our ACMM Historian to continue on the path developed by Elizabeth Pass who has been our Historian since ACMM beginnings. Elizabeth will work with the new Historian during the transition.
- Reviewed the Year-End Process: all members as of mid-Oct will receive a Year End Letter (YEL)
 - Letter from the President explaining the process-MUST BE RECEIVED BY DEC 15 to maintain active status
 - o Your YEL with your information to be confirmed and returned to the president
 - MM Waiver to be signed/returned
 - Linda Dugeau Mileage contest-please complete and have signed by an applicable person and return with forms. This is required to give your mileage for the 2013 contest and to be able to participate in the 2014 contest.
 - o Optional questions/suggestions to submit to the president for consideration at Executive level.
- Awards were presented by Catherine D and Christine F. My apologies as I do not have the complete list but here are the highlights
 - o ACMM Gail Neilson Motor Maid of the Year was presented to Elizabeth Pass
 - o Appreciation awards presented to Denise P, Lynne C, Heather H and Elizabeth P
 - I Spy Contest: Jo M who did it first and other members received honorable mentions for originality
 - o Best Organized Ride-Ann SM for IFRD
 - o Highest KM- Peggy D
 - o Highest KM new member-Nancy R
 - o Highest KM Runner-up & longest one day distance- Jo M
 - o Who's Got Gas (or in this case-lack of?)? Crystal C.ran out 3 times!
 - o Pet Peeves: Talk Turkey to Sharon T and Who let the Dogs Out to Chris S
 - Christine also shared very interesting factoids about women and motorcycling!
 - \circ Other very special awards were presented during the evening...will have to let those members share those stories another day \circledcirc
- 50/50 and Motor Maid Lane sign raffle raised over \$200
 - o Lynne C 50/50 winner
 - o Jo M Motor Maid Lane sign winner
- Convention 2015
 - Update presented by Anne W
 - o Convention Logo Presented by Crystal C and Elizabeth P. This will be presented to the executive for approval in January
 - Fundraising- Cheryl M suggested the Dissolve Laundry program and we have since launched our site for that to great success! Remember to continue to share with your friends on FB! We will also promote at the bike shows
- Are you smarter than a motorcycle peg? Great game hoisted by Elizabeth and Lynne! Who knew motorcycle pegs were so smart? ☺
- Supper, song and dance at the Old Triangle-thanks to Sharon T for arranging this!
- Social night at the hotel- fun times indeed!

Thanks again ladies for a fantastic weekend! Can't wait to see what the next year brings us!!