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From the President

Hello to all,

Well the end of summer is zooming up on us and we are at the doorstep of fall and that means great fall rides are just ahead, like the Yosemite road run. It seems like yesterday we were at our picnic, which turned out great, thanks to our dedicated club members cooking up a wonderful meal with all the trimmings, and a cool day in the park. I was happy to see so many of you and your families make it out and quite a few of us rode our bikes. Good times, thanks to all of you that made it happen and attended. Also, we now have cool new club shirts, don't forget to get one or two.

It's almost time for the Auto Show at Cal Expo, October 16-18. Start making your plans to show a bike off—maybe two. This show is always well attended and gives a different crowd a chance to see our bikes.

I was at the A&S vintage bike show recently, they always put on a good event I was happy to see some of our members out and about, some with bikes, some looking and some showing, it's always good to see fellow members at an event.

We have had a lot of members showing up for meetings lately which is awesome. At our next meeting we will be accepting nominations for board of directors, which we will vote on at our December meeting, these will be important meetings to attend, hope to see you there.

Well, I am getting ready to go to the Yerba Buena Yosemite road run and I think it will be a good time with, hopefully, no forest fires and I hope most of you are doing the same, see you there or at the next meeting. Ride safe. See you soon.

Your President,
Mark Loewen

Our Next Meeting Will Be
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3
At Sam's Hof Brau
Watt and El Camino Avenues

Lunch at Noon • Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**Please Remember to Take Your Lunch
Into Our Meeting Room**

Minutes of the General Meeting

August 1, 2015

Well. . . Sort of. Think of it as the Minutes With Pictures

As you will recall, the August 1 meeting was a combination of our annual picnic and meeting which, would have been fine if the secretary had been there. The other problem was that the newsletter editor didn't show up either. Rich Ostrander volunteered to write a report on the picnic but in doing so he covered just about all the items required by the minutes—a two for the price of one deal. What he missed Marie Moore and Mark Loewen were able to fill in. Finally, thanks to Mark and Bob Pratt we have some pictures.

So here, from Rich Ostrander's point of view, is what happened at Rancho Seco Park on Saturday, August 1.

When I pulled my iron steed into the picnic area Barbara and Rich Hardmeyer along with Bob and Shari Pratt were sitting on their chairs and kicking back. All the food and drinks were ready to go and all the tables and chairs (with table clothes and center pieces) were set up, ready for the incoming crew.

Soon to follow was a mix of cars and at least a dozen or more two wheeled machines. Shovel heads, pans, knuckles, a big flat head, and at least one each early Honda and Triumph.

The burgers, hot dogs, potato salad, and beans were well received. Desert was a great pineapple upside down cake and brownies. Congratulations Barbara!

The meeting was then called to order by president, Loewen with vice president, Wiebens for backup. Marie Moore reported that our bank account was in its usual good shape. Jim Moore gave a run down of the just past Dixon meet and said he felt everything went well,

New business addressed the up coming Sacramento Auto Show and a new arrival a couple of weeks after that of the International Motorcycle Show which, after many year, has moved from the San Mateo Fairgrounds to Cal Expo. We've been asked to display some of our bike and we are waiting for them to contact us with more details.

We have decided on a theme for the 2016 Dixon meet which will be: "Century Motorcycles." i.e. motorcycles 100 years old or older.

Jim Inman designed a club T-shirt which was for sale at the picnic. Shari Pratt will bring any left over to the next meeting. The price will be \$20.00 regardless of size.

Marie mentioned the recent passing of longtime member, Tom Lund. I first met Tom and Barbara when I moved here in the mid-seventies He was a gentle and easy going man with a deep mechanical knowledge of both two and four wheeled machines. He will be missed.

On another note we need to be aware that both Jerry Cordy and Red Cadwell, both long time members and friends since they served together on the Navy during the Korean War are



This year more folks than ever rode their bikes to the picnic.

struggling with health issues. We all wish them both the best.

It was great to see so many members out with their better halves and quite a few of their kids too. A younger vibe was in the air and was much needed as some of us older members are slowing down a tad.

It was good to see all the bikes roll in too. Like Dave Kafton's '69 FLH, Mark Loewen's newly acquired '65 FLH, and Greg Wood on his period correct, chopped Panhead. All in all, a great day for getting some miles on the old iron.

Down the road,
Rich



Barbara Hardmeyer put together the best buffet table yet.



Jim Willette and the gang arrived in the family Buick.



Lunch in the shade under the trees. Perfect!



Tracey Kleber and . . . Well, I won't even try to come up with a caption on this one.

WANTED!

Bikes and Workers for the

SACAUTOSHOW

OCTOBER 16-17-18

The Cal Expo Auto show will be Friday through Sunday, October 16 through 17 at Cal Expo and we will have the same space as in past years. We're looking for folks willing to bring their bikes to show and also for worker bees. Bikes go into the show space on Thursday the 15th from noon to 6 p.m. Volunteers to staff the booth are needed for Friday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 10 to 8 p.m. and Sunday 10 to 6 p.m. Workers and folks displaying their bikes will be given a free pass to the show compliments of the promoter and a parking pass paid for by the Chapter.

Tom is making up signage for each bike and the promoters make up the larger signs for each machine, so we need to know as soon as possible who and what we have to work with.

**To sign up a bike or volunteer to staff our booth,
please call or e-mail Jim and Marie with your information.
(530) 622-6531 or jandmmoore@att.net**

. . . Thank you,

Jim & Marie

Time For Nominations

At the next meeting we will be holding nominations for director. Outgoing will be Tom Green, Richard Kinney, Marie Moore and Mark Wiebens. Keep in mind that, under our system, the nominations will be for the position of director only. Following the election, held at the December meeting, the board members decide among themselves who will fill the offices of president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary.

If you have any suggestion for a candidate to serve on the board for a two year term, please let your choice be known at the October 3 meeting. If you can't attend the meeting but have someone in mind, you can make an absentee nomination. To do so contact Tom Green. After contacting the nominee to be sure they are willing, the name will be put on the ballot.

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In Memory of Long Time Member and Past President
Tom Lund
April 30, 1925 July 17, 2015



Tom was born April 30, 1925 in New York City. He grew up in New Haven, Connecticut with his sister, Joan and his parents, Alice and Harold.

From an early age, Tom was passionate about anything with wheels. Pictures of him from the 1920s, and 30s show boxcars, bikes and automobiles used to embark on exciting adventures with his friend and cousins. His fervor for vehicles and speed quickly developed into a lifelong love of motorcycles.

As a young man, Tom was drafted into the Army during World War II. While in the service, Tom was a paratrooper and technician with the 17th Airborne Division and saw action in both France and Germany. Returning home, Tom attended Stanford and earned a degree in both Mechanical and Civil Engineering leading to thirty-four year career with CalTrans. In his free time he competed in dirt track racing.

In 1955, Tom met Barbara, the love of his life who become his wife the same year. Last April they celebrated their sixtieth anniversary. Together they have three children, Martin (also a member of our club), Berton, and Marjorie.

Throughout his life, Tom restored antique motorcycles and cars which routinely won awards and prizes all over California.

On Saturday, September 19 a celebration of Tom's life was held in Yuba City. Our condolences to Barbara, Martin and the rest of the family.

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FORE SALE: 1974 Triumph Trident. 11,000 miles, Has a couple of minor issues from storage. Contact Ric Smith (a former club member) 916-949-9904 \$4,000



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About our website—it's time to

Eschew Obfuscation!

Now that we have your attention we want to point out that, with the help of Jim Schenken, our new, improved website is up and running but it has caused a bit of confusion as the web address was slightly changed. Originally it was: www.amcafortsutter.org but when we updated the site the address was reversed to: **www.fortsutteramca.org**

Try it out, you'll like the new look.