

FORT SUTTER

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From the President

The Hardmeyer Christmas party went very well. Most people who attended said they enjoyed themselves and enjoyed seeing friends they haven't seen for a while. We were worried about the weather all week long prior to the event but it did not rain until the end of the party, we were very lucky. The weather did keep some people from coming but we still had about 100 people attend and enjoy themselves. A lot of our friends brought their old bikes to our party so we had a good selection of bikes to show and the house was all decorated from one end to other so the women had a wonderful time viewing all the Christmas displays. I want to thank all the people that brought their bikes and helped serve the food. This is the first time Barbara was able visit with people.

As most of you know Richard Morris from Southern California had three motorcycles stolen, a 1916 Henderson four, a 1916 Reading Standard, and a 1920 Excelsior. I hope he gets them back. In the mean time, keep your eyes peeled and your ears open.

A little info: when I have friends that want to take pictures of my bikes, I always tell them it's all right to take the pictures but don't put them on the internet or, when you show the pictures, don't tell people where you saw the bikes. This is sure a shame. We are proud of our bikes but we have to keep it a secret were we store them.

I was elected president again, and I want to thank all the club members for wanting me back. I will continue to work for the betterment of the club.

Thank You
Your President
Richard Hardmeyer

P.S. Remember, it's not too late to get your reservation in for our annual dinner on Saturday, February 19th.

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Vice Pres. *Dave Kafton*
Secretary *Tom Green*
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➡ SCHEDULE CHANGE ◀

Our Next Meeting Will Be
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5
At Sam's Hof Brau
Watt and El Camino Avenues
Lunch at Noon • Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes of the General Meeting

December 1, 2010

In the absence of President Rich Hardmeyer and Vice President Dave Kafton, the meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Secretary Tom Green. There were twelve members in attendance.

Minutes: A motion was made (Moore/Green) to forego the reading of the minutes of the October 6 meeting. Motion passed, the minutes will stand as written.

Treasurer's Report: Marie Moore reported that we ended the year with a total membership of 124. With money in the bank plus a CD, our financial situation is in good shape. Marie also reminded us that dues are due; she will be sending out invoices before the first of the year.

Old Business: Marie Moore reported that she had contacted Dixon Mini Storage about renting a space for our swap meet supplies and other miscellaneous equipment. They have a 5' x 10' x 9' space for \$82.00 per month or, if we rent it for a year in advance, \$73.80 per month with the thirteenth month free. A motion was made (Green/Wiebens) to have Marie Moore arrange for a one year rental with Dixon Mini Storage as well as authorizing the club to purchase a number of plastic storage tubs which Art Hardie offered to sell to us at his cost. Motion passed. Jim Moore will ask Rich Hardmeyer to contact Bob Kergel about setting up a date that we can go to Bob's to take inventory of our supplies and, if all works according to plan, move into the Dixon Mini Storage space at the same time.

Jim Moore brought up the need for some easels to hold the motorcycle information sheets when we display bikes at the Sacramento Auto Show and other venues. Shawn Ralls will look into the cost of 11" x 17" plastic easels and report back at the next meeting.

Regarding the upcoming annual dinner to be held February 19, Marie Moore asked for permission to buy raffle prizes again this year. A motion was made (Moore/Gormley) to authorize \$ 250.00 for prizes, \$50.00 to be spent for a door prize the remaining \$200.00 to be spent on raffle prizes. Motion passed.

Rich Ostrander showed the design he has come up with for a club T-shirt. The design was approved so Rich will go ahead with a test run. It was decided that red shirts with white lettering would be for club members only. The same design but in different colors would be made available for sale to the general public. Rich will also look into having some sweat shirts and hoodies made. A limited supply of the shirts should be available at the next meeting.

The election for new officers resulted in Rich Hardmeyer, Dave Kafton, and Rich Ostrander being elected by acclamation to replace themselves for another two year term. The end result being that the overall slate of officers for 2010 will remain the same for 2011.

New Business: After explaining her reasoning, Marie Moore made a motion that we change our meeting dates and location, both summer and winter, to the Hof Brau on the first Saturday of the even numbered months. The motion was seconded by Mark Wiebens and passed. Jack Gormley will contact the Hof Brau to make the necessary arrangements. If the first Saturday is not available he will try for the second or third Saturday and then see if it is possible to reserve first Saturday dates for the remainder of the year. *Note: See page 3 for additional details*

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

TOM GREEN
Secretary

REMINDER

Your 2011 Dues are Due

By now you should have received an invoice. If you did not receive one, contact Marie Moore at jandmmoore@att.net or phone her at (530) 622-6531. And remember. . . It's also time to renew your national membership

OUR MEETING SCHEDULE HAS CHANGED

Meetings are now the first Saturday of even numbered months

At the December 1 meeting it was suggested that, instead of our usual night meetings, we hold all our meetings at Sam's Hof Brau on the first Saturday of even numbered months just as we do in June and August. The reason for this was to make it easier for members to attend meetings during the winter months. Many of our members, especially our officers, have a long way to travel. For example: Mark Wiebens drives up from Martinez, Rich Hardmeyer comes from Herald, Dave Kifton from Lodi, and Marie and Jim Moore have to drive down from Placerville. When you couple the distance with dark and often stormy or foggy winter conditions, attending a night meeting can become more than just a slight inconvenience.

With the approval of a quorum of the board of directors and the members in attendance, a motion was made by Marie Moore and seconded by Mark Wiebens to change our general membership meetings to the first Saturday of all even numbered months. The location would be Sam's Hof Brau at the corner of Watt and El Camino Avenues. The motion was passed unanimously.

Hopefully, this change will result in increased attendance and give members additional opportunities to ride their bikes to meetings. As we do in the summer, we will meet at Sam's Hof Brau at 12:00 for lunch and begin the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

NEW CHAPTER SHIRTS NOW AVAILABLE

The new Fort Sutter Chapter, AMCA club T-shirts, sweat shirts, and hoodies will be on sale at the next meeting and annual dinner. They will have a red body, white lettering with art on the back and left front chest pocket. The full supply of shirts will be available at the next meeting. Only pre-orders will be available at the annual dinner.

Pocket T-shirts \$15.00 each

M-L-XL-2XL

Crew neck sweat shirts \$20.00 each

L-XL-2XL

Hoodie sweat shirts \$25.00

L-XL-2XL

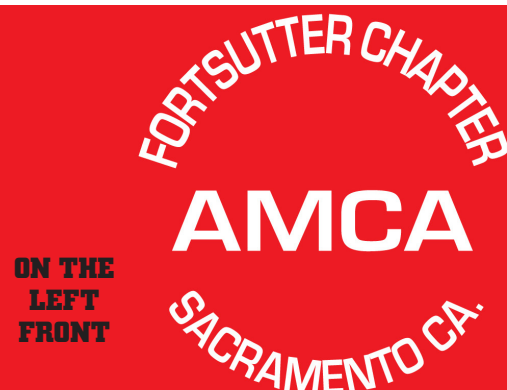
Supply limited to a small amount to test demand with more to follow if needed.

To pre-order:

Contact Marie Moore (530 622-6531)

or e-mail: jandmmoore@att.net

Note: These red shirts will be for chapter members only. Later there will be additional shirts in a different color for sale to the public.



CHRISTMAS AT THE HARDMEYER'S

Sunday, December 5 started out as cold with the threat of rain but by noon the sun was beginning to come out as some 100 or so guests, made up of both family and friends began to arrive for Rich and Barbara Hardmeyer's biennial Christmas open house. As I've said in years past, to call it simply an open house is to do it a disservice but what do you call a party featuring a motorcycle display that also includes a museum, a shop tour, hot rods, a house decorated beyond description, and a pot luck with enough food and drink for a small army.

Once again, from all of us who attended, a sincere thank you to Rich and Barbara for offering us the hospitality of their home, Rich says, because of all the work involved, this may be the last year for the party. We all hope that by 2012 you will have recuperated enough to try it just one more time.



About the only two who took a chance on the rain and rode to the party were Jerry Bland and Carl Grone.



Red Cadwell, left, looking over one of the many recent additions to the Hardmeyer museum.



Art Hardie arrived in the company truck, a 1935 Ford with a Ford Cobra engine.



Dave Kafton brought his Cannonball Harley to the party.



Art Hardie, Michele McCann, Jim Moore, and Marie Moore enjoying the food, drink, an hospitality.

DIXON 2011

As you can see from Jim Inman's artwork on the left, we have a T-shirt design but we need more—a lot more.

Chairman Dave Kafton is looking for help in the following areas:

- Hall decorations
- Gate tenders
- Seminars
- Garbage patrol
- Thursday set up
- Field layout
- Bathroom patrol
- Thursday BBQ
- After meet clean up
- Buying raffle prizes

And a whole lot more.

If you can donate a couple of hours of your time before, during, or after the meet let Dave know and take some of the pressure off him.

(209) 368-7259



IN MEMORIAM

Mike Shattuck

December 1941—December 2010

Although not a member, Mike Shattuck was a good friend to the chapter and our members. Following his discharge from a four year hitch in the Air Force, Mike came to Sacramento and worked for several auto related firms. Mike eventually became district manager for Harley-Davidson and in 1979 entered into a four year take over agreement with Armando Magri who owned Harley-Davidson of Sacramento. The two worked together until 1983 when Mike took over sole ownership of the company. In 1992, Mike entered into a partnership agreement with Jay Westbrook. The two of them completely remodeled and enlarged the facilities earning it Harley-Davidson's dealership of the year award.

A celebration of Mike's life is planned for Friday, July 29. It will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel. This is the day before The Sacramento Mile so all his racing friends will be there—he'd like that.

THE CLASSIFIED SECTION

WANTED: Armando Magri had dealership decals, back in the 1950s and 1960s that featured an image of the State Capital dome. Does anybody have an example of this decal? If so I would like an opportunity to make a computer scan of the decal, or even buy an example, if you have one you'll part with.

Thank you.

Jim Inman: (209) 334-2632 • jamesinman@comcast.net

FREE: Ray Weser, who turned ninety-six last December, has decided it's time to give up life in the fast lane and get himself an apartment in a retirement center. Ray is beginning to go through his stuff in preparation for the move and has a collection of national AMCA magazines (the more recent issues) he would like to give away. If you would be interested, give Ray a call at 916-443-1311, By now he might have even come across more stuff he'd be willing to part with.

Reservation Form

Fort Sutter Chapter Dinner Saturday, February 19th

The Pheasant Club

2525 Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento

☆ **Guests Are Welcome** ☆

Cocktails 6:30 p.m.

Dinner 7:30 p.m.

We Have Three Choices:

Oven Fried Chicken

Garlic Steak Sandwich ♦ Filet of Salmon

Name _____ No. of People _____

Please indicate your choice(s) below:

_____ Oven Fried Chicken with Ravioli @ \$24.00

_____ Garlic Steak Sandwich with Ravioli @ \$25.00

_____ Filet of Salmon with Baked Potato @ \$27.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: FORT SUTTER CHAPTER, AMCA

R.S.V.P. No Later Than February 9th!

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