

# Fort Sutter News

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**AMCA Fort Sutter NEW  
CLUB WEBSITE**  
**www.fortsutteramca.org**

## From the President

Howdy Doo!, to all you Fort Sutter members.

I hope that all of you that are riders have had a chance to get your bikes out and ride by now, we have had great riding weather and club rides to go on. So if you haven't, your really missing out.

Summer is here and so that means it's Dixon time. As always the Dixon show is on the Father's Day weekend, so first off, "Happy Father's Day" to all you Daddy's out there.

This years theme, HD Panheads is already shaping up to be a very cool show, the shirts and pins are outstanding don't wait to get yours, they will disappear fast. Bring out those Panheads.

The folks at Good Day Sacramento, Channel 31, and Cody Stark, will be out bright and early on Friday morning to show case our event. We are going to start at 6:00 am, so if you and your bike want to be on the tube get up early and comb your hair, if you have any, and dust off the bike and join me in showing off our event. I encourage all off you to try to be there so the TV has some cool bikes to show. It should air on Friday at the 6:00 hour and them they will tape something to show on Saturday also. Hope to see you there.

Well it's almost Cannonball time, Mark Wiebens, Jeremy Loewen, and I are working hard to get our bikes ready to go across America. We would like to say thank you to the members of Fort Sutter for the donation to each of us to try to help with this monumental task to run these bike 4000 miles. The bikes are all just about ready to start running shake down miles, some of you may want to join us for a ride and we will probably run them on the club monthly ride, let me know. Stay tuned for more info and possibly a Cannonball party? What? It's in the works.

Our friend Tom Green, who had just rejoined our team of directors, has decided to step back to the non director life, it's getting hard for him to get to the meetings. We will miss his voice during our meetings. John Markley is filling his position until the next election cycle. I'm glad to see so many of you at our meetings, they seem to be getting bigger and bigger. If you haven't been to one, come check it out.

I know there are so many things to do every weekend, it's hard to decide what to do. I hope you all decide to spend your time at the Dixon fairgrounds with us, June 15 and 16.

See you all soon. Ride safe and ride often.

Your President,

Mark Loewen

**Our Next Meeting will be  
Saturday, August 4, 2018  
At Sam's Hof Brau  
Watt and El Camino Avenues  
Lunch at Noon – Meeting at 1:00 p.m.**

# Minutes of the General Meeting

## June 2, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by President, Mark Loewen. There were 33 total in attendance including four guests. Guests included Tom Myers, Levi Olson (Eric Olson's son), Dan Reed, and Kim-Reed Edwards. There are 115 members in the Fort Sutter Club at this time. Tom Green sent a letter to the board recently announcing his resignation as Secretary due to illness. The Board has asked John Markley, previous Secretary, to fill in during the interim. We would like to thank Tom Green for his dedication and contributions. I know everyone appreciates what Tom brings to the Club. We wish him well!

**Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting were approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marie Moore reports the overall financial status of the Club is in good order.

**Old Business: April & May, 2018 Fort Sutter Club Ride(s).** **Tracy Stahlman**, Ride Captain (planner) reports both rides were good. The **April ride** included nine motorcycles headed from Sac to Hwy 49, Drytown to San Andreas for lunch. West to Valley Springs, Pardee and Comanche lakes, then to Lodi. Stopped at another club members house for a break before heading north back to town through Galt and Elk Grove and back to Sac. The **May ride** was to the Ishi Chapter's annual show and swap. Left West Sac at 8, rolled into Chico about 10:00 AM. 5 bikes, 1 support vehicle. Myself, Rich, Mark L., John, Stan, Jim and Karie. Met up with Greg and Mark W. at the event. Greg went on yesterday's ride with Ishi and said they had quite a few bikes. Stopped for lunch on the ride back. I got home about 6pm.

### **New Business:**

**Dixon:** Jim Moore reported to the group regarding Dixon in general and all last minute preparations are almost complete. **Rich Ostrander** reports that the I80 signage is currently running 24/7 promoting the Dixon event. For the value received vs. money spent this form of advertising has proven worthwhile. **Rich** also stated all other forms of advertising are in place, plus the Dixon event meet pins are in, as well as, all other promotional items. **Barbara Hardmeyer** will be decorating the Denverton Hall tables just before Friday nights banquet. **Tracy Stahlman** made a visit to the Dixon storage locker recently and organized, as well as, took an inventory of items. Tracy found additional table decorations etc. and will bring these to the event. Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup> is setup day. **Bob Pratt** is looking for help to paint the vendor grid lines. Your help is needed so meet Bob on the lawn no later than 6:30 AM. **John Markley** reports the banquet vendor is secured and ready to go for Friday Nights Banquet. Security will be on site during the event and will be "roaming" to help with any security issues. **Jim Moore:** is leading the Judging Program this year and is looking for additional help. We need your involvement to help properly judge these Antique Motorcycles. Contact him at the event and attend the upcoming Judging seminar being held at 10:00 AM on Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, inside Denverton Hall. **Jim** says all roadways (especially on the west side) are to remain clear of vehicles etc. to properly have enough space for a fire truck if an emergency occurs. **Shari Pratt** is asking for help selling the Club's T-shirts and promotional item during the Dixon event. Contact Shari on Friday morning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the merchandise booth contiguous to the Fort Sutter Booth. Your help is needed! **Mark Loewen reports:** Good day Sacramento, Channel 31, and Cody Stark, will be out early Friday morning (6:00 AM) to show case the Dixon event. If you would like to have your motorcycle on television bring it out and display on the south lawn by 6:00 AM.

**Rich Hardmeyer:** Jim Moore announced that Rich Hardmeyer and his 1979 Triumph T140D Bonneville Special was recognized in the Motorcycle Classics magazine (May/June 2018 edition) for the restoration of this highly regarded motorcycle. See page 24 to begin the story. Jim Moore helped with the restoration and it is a great example of one of Triumph's Top parallel twins!. The article also highlights Rich's early years as a flat track racer. Get a copy and enjoy!

**Rich Ostrander** (Club Historian) was recognized for his efforts over the years by being presented with an a Honorary Membership to the Fort Sutter Club. See picture elsewhere in the Newsletter. Well done Rich!

AMCA FORT SUTTER CHAPTER'S 18th ANNUAL

# ***NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE SHOW AND SWAP MEET***

***Friday & Saturday  
June 15 and 16, 2018***



## **Honoring Harley-Davidson Panheads**

**Dixon Fairgrounds—Dixon, California  
25 Miles West of Sacramento  
Just South of Interstate 80**

### **VENDOR INFORMATION**

Spaces are 15' x 30'

**\$50.00 2 days = Pre-registered before the event**

**\$60.00 2 days = at the gate (if not pre-registered)**

Gates are open for

Vendors at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 14

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Thursday** – Gates open for vendors 6:00 pm

**Friday** - Swap Meet, Vending, Banquet

**Saturday** - Swap Meet, Vending, National Judging and Awards

### **FOR NATIONAL JUDGING REGISTRATION CONTACT:**

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Or online: [www.antiquemotorcycle.org](http://www.antiquemotorcycle.org)

### **JUDGING REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

**May 18, 2018 - THERE WILL BE A \$10.00  
FEE per motorcycle**

You may also Register for National Judging at the Meet until 9:00 am., Saturday but there will be a fee of \$20.00 per motorcycle

### ***Vendors are encouraged to pre-register***

•All vendors must be AMCA members. Membership may be opened or renewed on site. All commercial vendors must have a resale permit to sell. Bring it with you; this permit must be with you on site.

•Only antique motorcycles and parts 35 years and older and related items are permitted for sale. This is an official AMCA policy and will be strictly enforced.

•No alcoholic beverages or glass containers allowed.

•No open fires are permitted.

•All dogs must be on leash.

### **FOR VENDING PRE-REGISTRATION CALL:**

Kari Schenken (916) 803-7732

### **AND FOR GENERAL INFORMATION CALL:**

Mark Wiebens (925) 288-0174

### **SEND YOUR FEE FOR A RESERVED SPACE TO:**

Fort Sutter Chapter, Inc. (Check Payable to Same)

P.O. Box 1994 Elk Grove, CA 95759

**Please Include Self Addressed, Stamped Envelope**

### **AREA MOTELS**

Super 8, Dixon (707) 678-3399

Motel 6 Dixon (707) 693-0606

Dixon Motel, Dixon (707) 678-3332

Best Western, Dixon (707) 678-1400

# Fort Sutter Honorary Membership Awarded to Rich Ostrander Club Historian on June 2, 2018

*Honorary Member is a significant honor bestowed by the Fort Sutter Club and is awarded for life to an individual. Honorary Members are elected by the Board of Directors from among those who have rendered meritorious service to the Club.*



*Mark Loewen  
(right)  
Fort Sutter  
President  
Congratulating  
Rich Ostrander  
Honorary  
Club Member!*

***Rich is currently the Club Historian!***

***Just a few of his prior contributions over the years are:***

***Newsletter Editor – Road Run Organizer – Ride planner – Sacramento Motorcycle Racing History Speaker.....you get the picture.***

***Well Done Rich!***

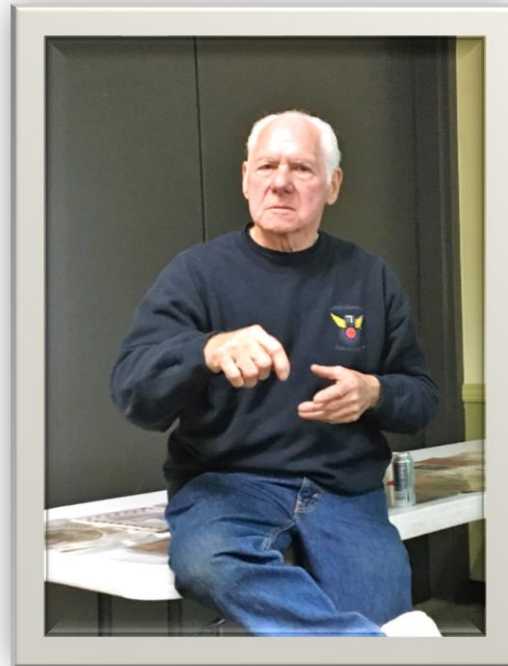


**Rich  
Ostrander  
invited to  
provide local  
Sacramento  
motorcycle  
racing history  
1/17/17 at  
Cal Auto  
Museum,  
Sacramento**



***Rich Ostrander's  
trusty '67 FLH***

Rich Hardmeyer and his 1979 Triumph T140D Bonneville Special recognized in the Motorcycle Classics magazine (May/June 2018 edition)



Get yourself a copy and have Rich sign it for you!

Rich Hardmeyer providing local Sacramento motorcycle racing history on 1/17/17 at Cal Auto Museum, Sacramento.

Motorcycle Classics is America's magazine for collectors and enthusiasts, dreamers and restorers, newcomers and lifelong gearheads who love the sound and the beauty of classic bikes

Rich Hardmeyer enjoying a meal while attending the 2017 Fort Sutter Annual Banquet



Excerpts from the story

*Richard Hardmeyer was flat tracking in the glory days after world War II when the 500cc overhead valve Brit bikes were going.....(from beginning of story on page 24)*

Triumph Bug (learn how Rich got into Triumph's

*Hardmeyer got into motorcycles in high school, acquiring an Ambassador 2-stroke at the age of 15 and a half. Flat track racer.....early on!*

# The April 2018 Fort Sutter Chapter Ride

## Tracy Stahlman – Ride Captain

Great ride with the club Saturday. Turned into 150 miles if you completed the route. 9 bikes 10 members in total, BMW, Triumph, flatheads, knuckleheads, panheads, shovelheads made up the group. From Sac to Hwy 49, Drytown to San Andreas for lunch. West to Valley Springs, Pardee and Comanche lakes, then to Lodi. Stopped at another club members house for a break before heading north back to town through Galt and Elk Grove and back to Sac.

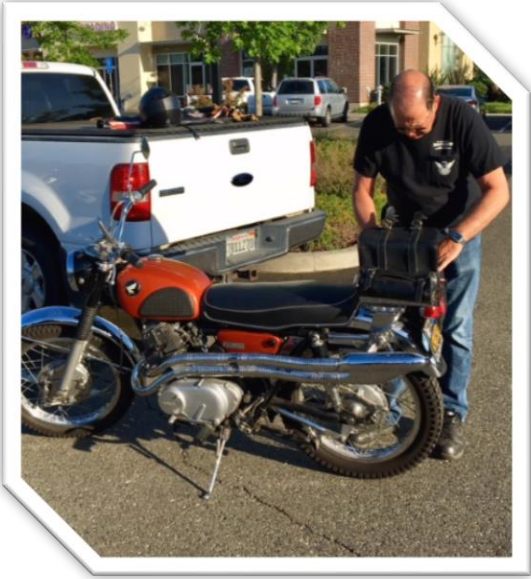
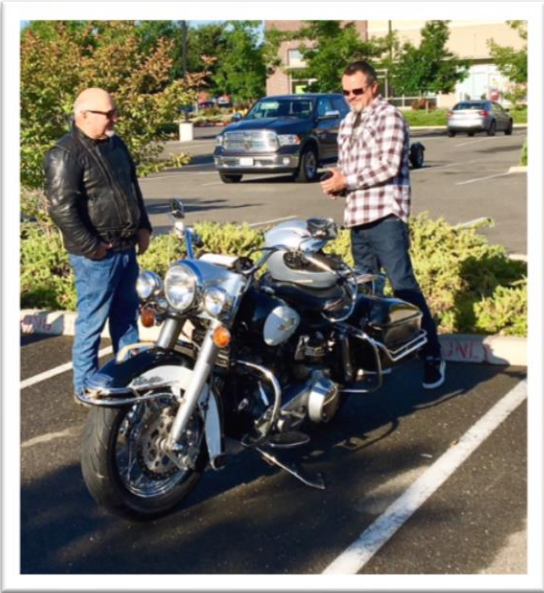


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Thanks Tracy for being our Club Road Captain!



Thanks Ishi Chapter for the invite to attend your Show & Swap!



## Motorcycle For Sale

- 1967 FLH H-D
- 7,500 Miles on fresh motor, transmission, and much more.
- Windshield, Tour Pak, bags etc.
- New Tires, battery, cycle electric generator, wire harness, etc.
- Disc Brake upgrade, Performance Machine 11 ½ SS Rotors and two puck calipers
- \$12,000 or Best Offer

Contact: Rich Ostrander (916) 995-1935

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**See you in Dixon on  
June 15 & 16, 2018!**