

Fort Sutter Chapter Newsletter

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From the President

Hello Fort Sutter,

Well here we are again, days are getting short, leaves are starting to change, It's time for the Sac auto show. Thanks to all of you who signed up to show your bike. We all know it takes time and effort to show a bike and this is one of the best shows for the club. We always get a great response from the public about our bikes. And thanks to those of you who decided to share some of your time to work the booth and support the club. Should be a good show we have some great bikes coming. Our next meeting will be here before you know it. Next meeting is election time. I encourage everyone to show up and vote for the people that speak for you and the club. VOTE.

I also want everyone and anyone who has thought about participating in the production of the Dixon National Meet to speak up. The planning is well underway, and we want your help. It takes everyone to pull this off. Come to a meeting and sign up to lend a hand.

Hope to see you all at the Cal Expo Show and next meeting to vote.

Thanks to all.

Mark Loewen
President

**Our Next Meeting will be
Saturday, December 7, 2019
At Sam's Hof Brau
Watt and El Camino Avenues
Lunch at Noon – Meeting at 1:00 p.m.**

Minutes of the General Meeting October 5, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by President, Mark Loewen. There were 25 members in attendance along with two guests. Fort Sutter membership stands at 149 members as of October 5, 2019. Please welcome our newest member, Chris Carey, who attended the meeting. We also said hello to guests David Hess and Victor Boocock (Yerba Buena member). Remember to tell your friends about the AMCA and our Fort Sutter Chapter and invite them to our next meeting on December 7, 2019.

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

Treasurer's Report: Julie Loewen provided an update to the financial status and states the Club is in good order.

Old Business:

- **Yerba Buena Monterey Bay Road Run:** Victor Boocock, Yerba Buena member and guest for the day, asked those members from Fort Sutter who were on their Road Run held on September 23-25th for their review and feedback. Rich Ostrander responded that overall the Road Run was great. Two out of three routes were fun. The first day's route had riders traveling over bumpy and poor roads in the beginning. The food and banquet was very good. Ricky Najera from the Yerba Buena Chapter and past AMCA National Road Run Director received Honorary Member Status for his contributions to the AMCA during the banquet.

New Business:

- **Leonard Miller health update:** Rich Ostrander reports that Leonard "Lenny" Miller has returned to Kaiser Hospital, Morse Ave. Sacramento location in room 3023. You can visit him or, text him at (916) 502-2801
- **Cal Expo International Auto Show:** Mark Loewen reported that there are 28 motorcycles signed up for display at the Auto Show scheduled for October 18, 19, 20th. There is still room to add additional motorcycles and there is still a need for additional Fort Sutter Members to help with staff duty during the show.
- **Fort Sutter Banquet:** Tracey Kleber, banquet coordinator, announced the upcoming annual banquet will be held on February 29, 2020 at the Iron Grill Restaurant in Sacramento. The club will again help offset the cost by providing each member a discount. A motion was made by Mark Wiebens and seconded by Rich Ostrander to: **Provide each Fort Sutter member a \$10.00 discount off the meal price. The motion was unanimously approved.** Last year's annual banquet was held at the Iron Grill and everyone was very pleased with the food and opportunity to relax with fellow members that were in attendance. A banquet flyer will be prepared and sent to everyone soon. Please RSVP as soon as possible after you receive the flyer.
- **Fort Sutter Board of Director Election:** There are four Outgoing Officer and Director position(s) open for nomination and election at the December 7, 2019 meeting. At the October 3, 2019 meeting nominations were taken for the 2020-2021 period. All current board positions, currently set to expire, have said that they are willing to serve again. Note: Treasurer position is currently being filled by Julie Loewen until the end of 2019. She said that she is willing to continue to serve if elected. Expiring Officer and Director positions open are: Vice-President (Mark Wiebens), Secretary (John Markley), Treasurer (Julie Loewen) and Director (Stan Randall).



Story and photos by
Rich Ostrander
Fort Sutter Historian

Yerba Buena National Road Run September 23-25, 2019

The AMCA Yerba Buena Chapter based out of the San Francisco Bay area traveled south to the Monterey Bay area to host their National Road Run.

Close to twenty Fort Sutter Chapter members joined their fellow riders from all over the US and a couple of foreign countries. Canada & England were represented, as well as, Hawaii, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and more. 145 bikes and riders.

At least 35 Knuckleheads, about 25 panheads, some Shovelheads, a spattering of J models, V models, a Vincent, a few BMW's, Indian Chiefs and Sport Scouts, plus a few British and Japanese models to round out the mix in the parking lot. The Knuckleheads were most impressive with a couple of 1936's, and more than half a dozen of 1937- 38's, a couple '39's and my '40.

As is the case these days there were at least twenty "young guns" and a few gray beards astride vintage long bike choppers.

The worst section was Monday over a potholed goat trail that tired those mounted on ridged framed machines. Tuesday and Wednesday's routes were great! The food that was catered for the banquet, and on the days route lunches were most excellent.

They also had Richie Valen's little (not so little now) brother's Blues Band play for us at the American Legion hall on Tuesday night. The banquet Wednesday night had great food, a raffle, awards handed out and Ricky Najera was awarded "Honorary Member" status by the AMCA's National Secretary, John Markley.

All in all a GREAT time was had by all.

*Rich Ostrander
Fort Sutter Historian*



Day 3
lunch at the
Moto Talbott
Motorcycle
Museum
At right
Inside the
museum

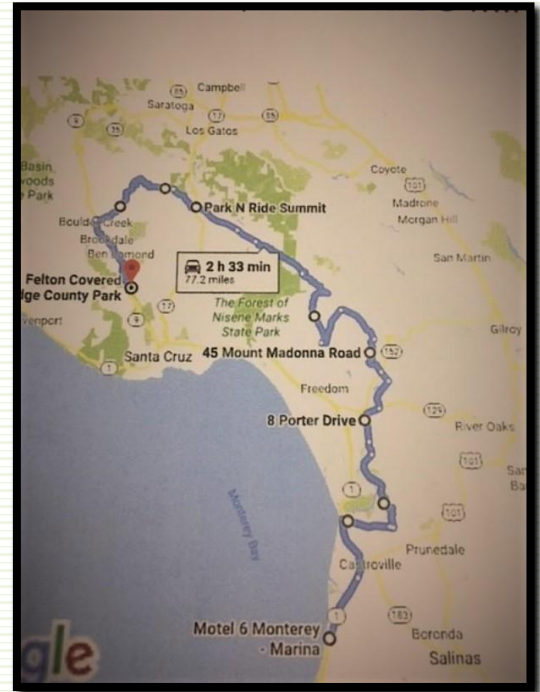
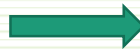




**Yerba Buena Road Run Photos by
Rich Ostrander - Fort Sutter Historian**



*Day One
route map.
Some were lost
while others
found their
way!*



*Bottom Left to Right
Tim McLaughlin
Greg Wood
Fort Sutter Members
receiving Pre-Ride instructions*



*Road Run
riders signing
the leg for
Lenny*



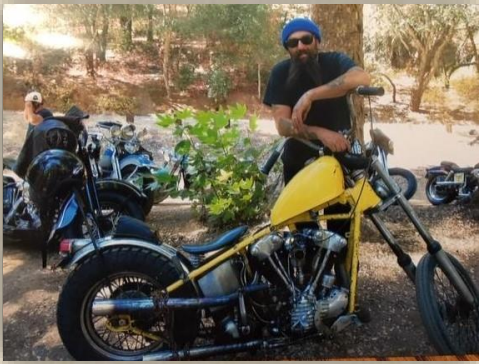
*Rich Ostrander proudly carrying artificial leg to honor
Lenny Miller Fort Sutter Member who is recuperating
back in Sacramento from an illness*



*Left
Lunch Stop at the
Moto Talbott
Motorcycle
Museum
Right
A Sweet Indian
Sport Scout Flat
Tracker on display
at the museum*



Yerba Buena National Road Run September 23-25, 2019



Ryan Grossman



Larry Doane

*Photos
Courtesy of Rich
Ostrander*

*Time to adjust
those valves at
one of the gas
stops*



*Rich Ostrander wearing the new
Retro Fort Sutter Sweater
I bet it felt warm
on those Monterey Bay mornings*



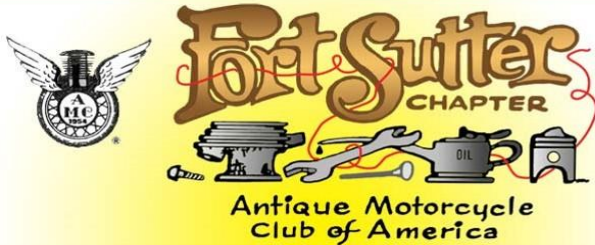
*Time for a break - Beautiful view of the
Pacific on the way down
to Hwy 1 – Big Sur area*



*Brian smiling while showing off his motorcycle
at a fuel stop. The next section gets even
better as the group heads to lunch and then
the Pacific.*

THE 2019 SACAutoSHOW

October 18, 19, & 20, 2019 | Cal Expo



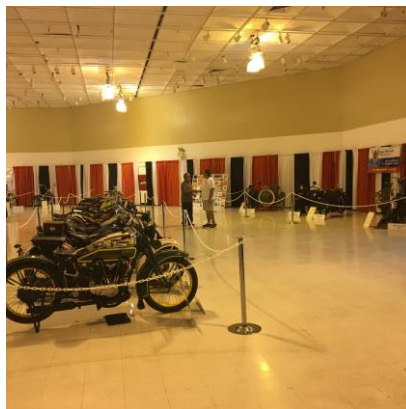
Fort Sutter Chapter members have been invited again to the SacAutoShow and display our Antique Motorcycles. With our location again in the Expo Center we are now a staple at this annual event with visitors looking forward to viewing all the various antique motorcycles.

28 Motorcycles already signed up and will be on Display – room for more!

We have room for more bikes – AND, we need help with staffing the Fort Sutter table during this three-day event.

Contact Mark Loewen for bike and staff duty sign up: Cell: (916) 217-2240 or by email: loewenpump@sbcglobal.net

Prior year photos



For Sale – Fort Sweater “New” Retro Sweater

Available now - 1 brand new size Large club sweater. This sweater is manufactured in the USA by Jedd Levin, and is an exact copy of the originals worn by Fort Sutter club members in the 40's and 50's. Jedd's sweaters are made in Los Angeles from original patterns from the 40's. The sweater is made of Orlon, which has the look and warmth of wool but the softness of cotton. The sweater is in our original club colors, green and orange with 3" high white lettering, just like the original sweaters seen in the pictures below. This is an "heirloom" quality sweater and will last for decades, if taken care of. Cost for this sweater is \$300. If you would like to purchase, please contact Eric Olson at sololson@hotmail.com or (916) 549-7757. If you would like to purchase this sweater in a different size, you can also contact Eric to discuss the details.

Original Fort Sutter Sweater



New Sweaters



This section open to Fort Sutter Members to help sell their items. Motorcycles – parts – tools

1967 Harley Davidson FLH

Older restoration

Bike has been sitting the last few years and has a non op.

Engine is started every couple of months and the bike is ridden around the neighborhood to keep everything in working order.

Needs a little TLC to put back into good running order. Needs new tires, front brake cable end popped off and needs replaced (new cable included)

New seals in the top end recommended.

Motorcycle runs and idles good.

Comes with bags, stock dual seat with helper springs and a windshield

Price: \$9,000 OBO

Contact: Jerry Bland for questions: (916) 275-5827



1961 Harley Davidson

Stock Frame

4" Over Wide Glide

Rear Disc brakes – speedometer cable to rear wheel

Standard Pan Heads

Head light seal beam converted to H4 Bulb

S&S 84" Stroker kit

Upgraded to Electric Start

Has Ghost brackets for Saddle bags – also comes with existing bags (not shown in picture)

Toolbox on left side

Have shorty pipes available (included in the price)

Price: \$8,400

Contact : Dennis Kammerer (916) 425-1922

Or by email: broke20@att.net



Fort Sutter Board of Director Eric Olson and his wife Rosalind are proud to announce two new additions to their family!

Say hello to Lillian Lorraine and Claire Candace Olson



Happy Halloween!

