

Fort Sutter Newsletter



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President's Comments

Hi everybody,

I hope you all had a good time at the picnic. I think it was another well-planned Fort Sutter event. Thanks to Tracey Kleber for the great picnic spot and all the raffle prizes, and Karie Schenken for getting all the delicious food arranged and thanks to all of you that helped set up and clean up. It was a chance for everyone to visit and not be in a rush.

It was nice to see some of the folks that don't always make it to a regular meeting. Good time! It seemed like it had been a long time since we all saw each other. Dixon already seems like a long time ago.

The Dixon meet was an overall success. It had been so long since we had a meet that we had a lot of expenses built up, so the meet wasn't a giant financial success, but it was a giant event success. Thank goodness we had a good pattern set up and in place for running the event. Thank You Jim and Marie Moore for the footsteps to follow. So glad it's over, oops no it's not. It's time to start the plans for next years meet. So, bring your ideas to our next meeting in October at good old Sam's back room.

The October car show/bike display has been canceled. The whole show got canceled, because of the lack of new cars to show and sell. Chip shortage. Ha-ha. Get an old bike.

The road run is in the final days of prep. It is and has been sold out for a while now. Should be a fun 3 days of riding. If you are an attending club member, I hope I can call on you, to help when and where needed. Bring warm clothes. See you all there.

So, in conclusion. The club is in great shape, and we have great members. See you all soon. Ride safe, ride often.

Fort Sutter President Mark Loewen

Our Next Meeting will be Saturday, October 1, 2022,

At Sam's Hof Brau

Watt and El Camino Avenues Lunch at Noon

Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Fort Sutter Meeting & Annual Picnic & Meeting Minutes August 13, 2022

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at: 11:50 am by Mark Loewen, President
- Welcome New Members: Reg Sherman who joined the meeting and Picnic.
- Membership: Karie Schenken will update the current roster at our next meeting.
- Treasury Report: Julie Loewen reported that the Treasury balance is \$9,869.08 currently. A full accounting of the Dixon Meet will be forthcoming.
- **Minutes**: A motion was made by Tunie Crawford and seconded by Rich Ostrander to approve the June 4, 2022; minutes as written.

Old Business

- Fort Sutter July Club Ride: Tracy Stahlman reported that July's ride was to attend Fast Fridays Motorcycle Speedway on July 1st. In attendance was Tracy & Kim Stahlman, John Markley, Jim & Karie Schenken, Mark & Julie Loewen, Mike Williams, and Kim Reed. A fun and thrilling night included Flat Track racers and extreme sidecars racing.
- Fort Sutter Dixon 2022: Mark L. reviewed Fort Sutter's 20th National Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet held on June 16-17-18, 2022. Mark thanked everyone for their efforts this year. Members were asked to comment, as well, regarding the Meet. Tracy Stahlman stated that he was especially pleased to see how the volunteers were helpful in all respects before, during and with tear down after the event. John Markley said that he was thanked by Ross Metcalfe, AMCA President, on how well organized and that it continues to be the model for all National Meets. He went on to say that the Fort Sutter crew of volunteers put on a First-Class event. He finished by saying from the high attendance of vendors, to the exceptional banquet, a vendor barbeque was a nice way to say thanks to the vendors, and a well-run National Judging program. Let's just say he was impressed! Mark L. specifically thanked the Moore's for their leadership and execution of past Dixon Meets. By the way, Judge Judy has just been named the chief judge going forward.
- Fort Sutter Road Run update: Mark L. reviewed current progress in planning for the upcoming Road Run to be in Lake Tahoe on September 26-28, 2022. Most planning items are coming together. However, the T-shirts for the Road Run have not been ordered. Jim Inman said that it is imperative to order now since time is running out. Tracy Stahlman reported all Ride Routes (3 days) have been completed. He also stated the trouble truck duty will be handled by Fort Sutter only. If other Fort Sutter members have a truck & trailer and are available, please contact Mark L.
- **SACAUTOSHOW**: Mark advised everyone that the Sacramento Auto Show will not be held in 2022 due to shortage of micro chips for most new vehicles.
- Fort Sutter Picnic: The annual picnic was again held at Elk Grove Regional Park. The site provided trees and partial shade, but some of us had to keep moving our chairs as the sun kept moving. Lunch was again catered by Karie Schenken's friend Tami. A great meal was served to thank Fort Sutter members for their continued loyalty to the Club. Thanks go out to Tracey Kleber, picnic coordinator, along with Karie Schenken (who brought her tasty strawberry salad) and a host of others for another great meal and time for all to relax, talk about our bikes, rides we have taken recently and one's coming up. See you next year!

Meeting adjourned at: 12:32

Fast Fridays

Motorcycle Speedway Auburn Fairgrounds July 1, 2022 Tracy Stahlman reported that July's ride was to attend Fast Fridays Motorcycle Speedway on July 1st. In attendance was Tracy & Kim Stahlman, John Markley, Jim & Karie Schenken, Mark & Julie Loewen, Mike Williams, and Kim Reed. A fun and thrilling night with not only Flat Track racers but the scary and fast extreme sidecars. Pictures courtesy of Tracy Stahlman









Enjoying the evening with fellow Club members.



Kim Reed near the Café promoting her Sacramento Motorcycling Book



Thanks go out to
Tracey Kleber, Picnic
Coordinator, and
Karie Schenken for
their planning and
executing a FirstClass picnic!



Fort Sutter Picnic August 13, 2022 Elk Grove Regional Park

Thank you to all other Fort Sutter members for your help we couldn't do it without you!



L to R Tracey Kleber – Karie Schenken



A Special Cake to enjoy with Fort Sutter Members. Thanks for all you do for the Club



Original AMC sign....
Antique Motorcycle Club



L to R Karie Schenken Tami – Picnic Caterer









Fort Sutter Members enjoyed a delicious catered meal and special time with fellow members in the shade.....

Well, we had to keep moving to find it...







Our 20th Year! Our BEST ever!

Photos courtesy of Joe Giammona Fort Sutter member & official photographer

From the August meeting:

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Fort Sutter Booth just opening on Thursday morning......Our vendors were early visitors to the merchandise booth for their annual T-Shirts.



More photos continued



DIXON NATIONAL MEET 2022

By Rich Ostrander Fort Sutter Historian Emeritus

After two years of being shut down by the State because of COVID-19, the Dixon National meet sprung back to life at almost full strength. A little light on buyers and spectators compared to our 2019 meet which was our largest ever. It was still impressive for "the largest little meet West of the Rockies".

We sold out vendor spaces and the new Chapter meet management team covered all the bases first time up to bat. Sellers in on Thursday were treated to a BBQ supper on us which was well attended.

Friday morning filled in the last few remaining vendor spots and the meet was on. Our National Director, President, and Judge were all in attendance. In the afternoon a Townhall meeting and judging seminar was held. Friday evening our meet banquet was sold out.

Saturday brought the National judging of a field of forty-four fine machines. We also had our Chapter judging of a large field of bikes on display for our own Chapter awards. Our first time Chapter Deputy Judge, Bob Henry, stated that all went well with National judging. After our Chapter awards were given out, vendors were already packing up and heading for the gates.

This was our Chapter's 40th year and our 20th National meet. In September we will hold our 10th National Road Run in Lake Tahoe where we held our first one in 1989.

Hat's off to the new meet management team of the Loewen's, Schenken's, Stahlman's and the Markley's, plus all the other Chapter members whose help is greatly appreciated for bringing Dixon back up to speed. A shout out also goes to our new merchandise manager, Gary Kubodera and his two sons for taking care of our T-shirt table along with Margie Siegel and others who took care of the front gate donation station throughout the meet.

A big Thank You to all our vendors who facing super high fuel costs, still came and filled out the spaces. Without you there wouldn't be a meet. Also, a Thank You to all the owners who displayed or had their bikes judged this year.

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By Rich Ostrander Fort Sutter Historian Emeritus

A rich and diverse field of machines for sure. They included a stunning 1928 and 1931 pair of BMW's as well as an early one that was beautifully customized. A nicely restored small tank Crocker with a vivid orange tank and loads of polished and plated metal circled the field. Loads of bobbed and custom Indians and Harleys were on hand to honor this year's theme. There was also quite a few excellent Triumphs on hand among other machines.

The bikes are nice, the parts are great but the main reason our Chapter started holding meets back in 1983 was to see old friends and to catch up on how our lives played out each year, projects, families, and such, and to make new friends as well.

For me seeing people I've known some close to 50 years, brings a big smile to my face all meet long. It's also a time to remember and reflect on the memories of past events and friends that are no longer with us. We hope to see you back here next year so we can enjoy your company once again.

Rich Ostrander

The Fort Sutter Chapter

<u>In Memory</u> Marie Moore, Tom Green, Jerry Cordy, George Hood, Ron Sabey, Joe Manns













Our 20th Year

– Dixon

National

Motorcycle
Show & Swap

Meet
Includes a
remembrance
of Six Club
Members
name on the
2022 T-Shirt

Fort Sutter Dixon 2022 National Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet Photos

Photos courtesy of Joe Giammona Fort Sutter member & official photographer



They arrived by trailer



180 Vendors this year!



bikes available to purchase at the corral



Bikes Rounding the corner a pretty sight



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Fort Sutter Dixon 2022 National Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet Photos

Photos courtesy of Joe Giammona Fort Sutter member & official photographer







Look a
Racer!
Many
memories
for sure





All brands & models that look so good!



Fort Sutter Dixon Meet Friday Night Banquet













Fort Sutter Dixon Banquet Raffle Drawing & Auction



Mark Loewen thanking everyone for attending Dixon 2022



The Kafton's waiting for the auction....hey, where is that winning ticket?



Vintage Photos of Fort Sutter Member up for Auction



Vintage Fort Sutter Member photos Thanks to Rich Ostrander



ALLAUER SACRAMENTO SACRAMENTO WAS AUGUSTA MACAMANTO TO CARTOMAN SAN JOSE

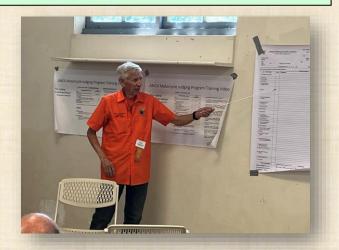
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Fort Sutter Dixon Meet Chapter Town Hall Meeting



L to R
Ross Metcalfe, AMCA President
& John Markley AMCA Secretary

Fort Sutter Judging Seminar Dave Carleton, AMCA Event Judge





AMCA members hear the latest news by Ross Metcalfe, AMCA President



Two beautifully restored Monarchs



Fort Sutter National Judging



Rich Kinney helping line up the bikes for judging





A Royal Enfield on the line up next for inspection and Judging

1929 BMW – R63 standing ready for inspection...



Above and below a change for 2022 with a center aisle that is taped allowing the owner & public to get closer to watch the judging.

Below are two examples of why we love Antique bikes.... A Henderson and a BMW





Chapter Awards Presented by Mark Loewen



Greg Woods "Best Rat Bike" '44 Harley E



David
Bettencourt
"Best of Show"
1914
Henderson
Model D





Bob Henry receiving "Best Accessorized"



Eugene Garcin "Best European" for his '29 BMW R/63



Dan Danmier "Best British" '57 Douglas Dragonfly



Brad Yuill "Best Japanese" '65 Honda CA 305



Richard Scardigli
"Best Competition" '67 Triumph T120



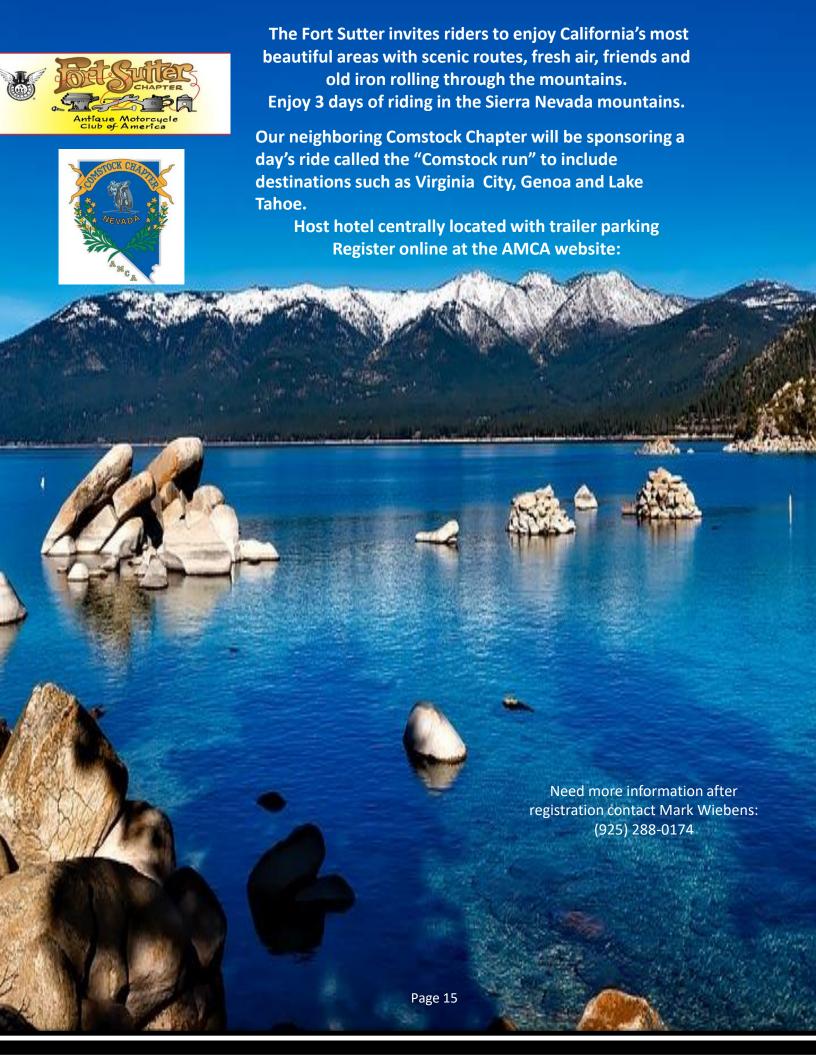
Ralph Ribera 1st Place Period Modified '57 Harley FL



Steve Tucker 2nd Place Period Modified '79 Ymaha RD400



Scott Day "3rd" Period Modified '58 BMW R/60-2



Fort Sutter Rides & Upcoming Motorcycle Events





September 4th – Sunday November 13th – Sunday December 11th - Sunday NorCal Sacramento Swap Meet

West Wind Sacramento 6 Drive-

9616 Oates Drive, Sacramento, CA

Spectator Gate Opens @ 8:00 a.m.

\$10 entry for spectators VENDORS:

Gates open 7:00 a.m.

Sacramento Mile | Cal Expo Fairgrounds

Sat, Aug 20

Cal Expo/ Green Gate

1600 Exposition Blvd, Sacramento, CA

Event Name: Sacramento Mile Event Location: Cal Expo Fairgrounds Event

Address: 1600 Exposition

Blvd, Sacramento, CALIFORNIA, 95815 Event Description: American Flat Track

roars back to Cal Expo

Fast Fridays

Speedway Motorcycle Racing Every Friday Night! All Summer Long!

Where: Fast Fridays Motorcycle Speedway 209

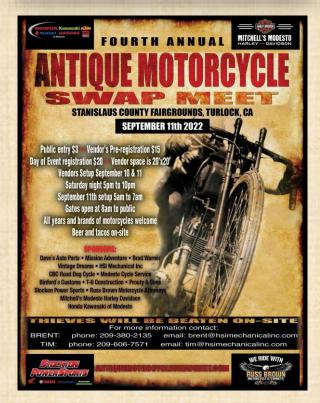
Fairgate Dr. Auburn

Upcoming Race on August 19th

For more information:

https://www.fastfridays.com/





Fort Sutter Chapter
National Road Run
September 26-27-28th
Lake Tahoe
Visit the AMCA website
for more details.