

**Gold Country Riders Minutes:
April 20, 2010
Rosie's Restaurant 6:30pm**

Meeting brought to order by Linda Shields.

No new attendees, so no introductions needed;

2 prior attendees returned and announced they had joined WOW & GCR. Welcome.

Report Details:

- Monthly Ride & Guideras Girls Ride: Route, food and organization was great. Around 200 women attended. Patricia will be sending a thank-you note on behalf of GCR. It was mentioned that they had headsets on the rides, and we should consider getting some for the lead & sweep on our rides. Conflicting opinions on it. Linda S. will gather some more info and look into costs.
- Spring Fling:
 - Karey thanked all those who helped coordinate. Attendees arrived in two groups – one considered a 'cruiser route' lead by Linda and A.J. and the other planned by Karey. Thank you Karey for putting it all together.
 - An envelope was passed around so that people who owed or needed to be reimbursed for dinner costs could settle up.
 - The room accommodations were good but dinner costs were a little high. On Saturday, members dispersed into 3 groups – Yosemite Valley using Shuttle and bikes(not recommended on weekends) and the Mariposa area (two 10yr Passport locations checked off)
 - Karey overviewed what is required to organize a Spring or Fall event (and will put together a list summarizing it). She asked that members start considering volunteering to do Fall's, as it will be occurring in September (was the consensus agreement). Early planning is required.
- Motorcycle Awareness Day: Shirley reported that it was a good event with many booths, food, music, a bike show and demo rides provided by Victory & Spider bikes. Maggy's girl bike Honda GB500 won the trophy for best Classic Honda. Thanks to all who manned the GCR booth.

Business:

- Face Book Page for GCR: Sarah was not in attendance to report but sent word that it would be up by June 1st, and that the 'group' will require members to sign up for now (more private at 1st). Veronica has volunteered to help Admin it.
- GCR BBQ & Swap Meet - Amanda has sent out a reminder notice and details a few days prior to the meeting, and again is asking for RSVPs so she has an idea of attendance & food coverage.
- GCR T-Shirts : Dee Dee/Sue collected the t-shirts, which will receive their emblems before the trip to Oregon in June. No more t-shirts are being accepted. You may get some money returned due to the bulk received.
- Rouge River/ Hell Gate : June 18-21; 29 people have signed up. 1 spot left. The group will meet prior to the event for details. AJ will send out an email to get some ideas from the people who want to go with her, on the 'cruiser route'. Sue C. has been sending out ride info concerning lodging etc..

- Cruiser Style of Riding: Elsa proposed we plan 2 routes for the monthly rides to accommodate cruiser style of riding and sport bikes.
 - This evolved into a lengthy discussion and Dee Dee noted this topic comes up every year. She reviewed the Group Ride & Ride Coordinators information on our website in the Past Rides section. These explain what we had agreed upon in the past.
 - It seemed that the group agrees that when 2 paths can be defined, do so – but it's up to the ride leaders. It was discussed that we often break into two speeds of groups for the monthly ride. AJ volunteered to provide this option whenever she can make the ride and Linda/Barb say when sweeping they always stay back with slower riders (as should all sweeps). It was recommended that all riders know where they are going, know the skill level (ask, pre-ride in car, Google the route), have maps and are fully prepared before going on any ride.
 - The process of everyone going their own way after lunch was also discussed, with no real conclusion if a group procedure is required.

- New Member Package & Business cards: Maggie brought some sheets of club cards which people can purchase cheaply, and hand out. She also has put together a 'New Member' packet with many Gold Country Rider goodies, which will be given after receiving verification of Women on Wheels membership.. Molly received the 1st one. Congratulations.

- A&S mentioned not much is going on except maintenance specials (oil, suspension checks) and that there is still no winner for the World races (\$1000 pot). They will be having a vintage bike show in September.

THIS CONCLUDES THE MINUTES CAPTURED BY Cindy G.