

20 September, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Attendees

Kevin Key Smith	ORRA President	Brampton Motorcycle Association
Marlene Steele	ORRA Controller	Zen Riders MC
Rod Dore		NA 40+
Al Savoury		NA 40+
David Snodgrass	ORRA Editor	ICBA Hamilton
Barrie Ward		ICBA Hamilton
Bruce Pooler		MTA1 – Ontario
Mike Gnoyke		Brampton Motorcycle Association
Frank Joe		Nortown Motorcycle Club

Absentia Rights

David Snodgrass	ICBA – London
David Snodgrass	French Connection Riders

Guests

The ORRA Executive welcomed everyone and all attendees introduced themselves. Special thanks to David Snodgrass for hosting the meeting and thanks to the Joshua Centre providing the meeting room.

The previous meetings minutes were accepted as printed by Kevin.

Controllers Report

Marlene provided a detailed breakdown of our financial standing and a spreadsheet was available for the assembled members to review. It was accepted as read by Bruce Pooler MTA1, and seconded by Rod Dore NA40+. A discussion was held regarding the surplus. New badges and pins have been purchased and are available to view. Attendees were gifted copies of the badge and pin to show their membership.

Safety and Awareness Report

The Spring Tune-up will be held in late April 2009 in the same successful format as before on the last Sunday in April. Stay tuned for further details.

The new pamphlet and poster is almost done but requires some artwork. Rod offered to help.

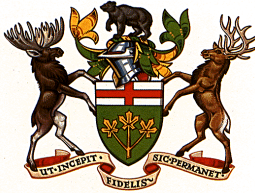
The bus sign and bumper sticker could use the same artwork as the shape is the same but the scale is different. Rod offered to help with these also.

The road signs are to be handed out at the January meeting. A prototype may be available for the next meeting.

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Web-site

Certain parts of the website are incorrect and need attention. Chad King will also step down as Webmaster at the end of the year. David Snodgrass can fill in for the short term. MTA1 ask that the 2009 dues spreadsheet be added to the site, along with the 2009 renewal form as soon as possible. ORRA would like to thank Chad for all of his wonderful work to date. His enthusiasm will be missed.

MCC Update

Kevin former MCC Director for Ontario, as well as Newfoundland and Labrador re-stated that he had successfully replaced himself on the MCC board, so that he could concentrate on ORRA. ORRA still has full access to MCC through the Ontario representative Liz Jansen.

Kevin also gave an update on the Women Riders Council.

Kevin reiterated on the March 2008 News Release that 3 race groups recently joined the MCC, Parts Canada Superbike, Moto GP, and CMRC.

He also reiterated that MCC will receive a 1 year membership for every new motorcycle purchased directly from the MMIC on behalf of the new rider. This will provide a consistent source of financing for MCC.

Kevin noted that ORRA has purchased a table at the MCC Canadian motorcycle Hall of Fame Banquet and will randomly give away 2 pairs of tickets to the members who attended today's meeting. Good luck everyone.

Open Floor

The Executive noted that they were still trying to purchase a short term policy that will change our renewal date from mid-November to Mid January. That way the same thing won't happen next year.

Frank from Nortown says that they do not have a certificate for the year. ORRA executive are to forward a copy of the certificate to Nortown as soon as possible.

The assembled membership discussed declining club memberships, and possible strategies to mitigate shrinking membership. NA40+ is in danger of shutting down next year. This is a general trend.

Marlene provided samples of badges and pins that ORRA can order based on the new logo. Approximate cost is 2.50 each or a badge and a pin for 5.00.

The ORRA Member Relations on the Executive is vacant.

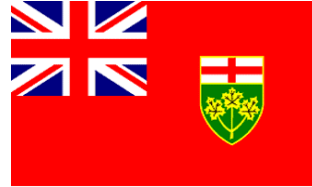
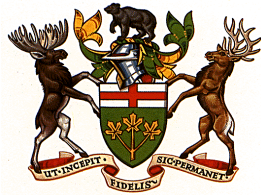
The ORRA Webmaster position will be vacated at the end of the year.

Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact us through the website.

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Upcoming Meetings

20 September 2008 – Joshua Centre - Completed

25 October 2008 – Toronto

3 January 2009 – Mississauga at the International Motorcycle Supershow

4 April 2009 – Mississauga at the International Motorcycle Supershow

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