

## June 19, 2010 Meeting Minutes

### Attendees

Kevin Keay Smith	ORRA President	Brampton Motorcycle Association
Marlene Steele	ORRA Controller	Zen Riders MC
Mike Bossio		French Connection Riders
Debbie Davis		Capital City Bikers Church
Caitlin Downing		Parry Sound Motorcycle Association
Roger Levert		National Memorial Riders
Chantal Prescott		National Memorial Riders
Doug Anderson		National Memorial Riders

### Absentia Rights

Marlene Steele	ICBA Hamilton
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### Guests

Becky Hughes-Clouthier	Ottawa Safety Council
Steven Tessier	Ottawa Yamaha
Don Hutchinson	Los Silverados

The ORRA Executive welcomed everyone and all attendees introduced themselves. Special thanks to Mike Bossio of the French Connection Riders and Debbie Davis of the Capital City Bikers Church for organizing and hosting the event, and to Becky Hughes-Clouthier of the Ottawa Safety Council for providing the meeting facility.

The previous meetings minutes distributed and were accepted by Mike Bossio and seconded by Debbie Davis.

### Controllers Report

Marlene provided a detailed breakdown of our financial standing. It was accepted as read. Marlene noted that about half of the grant money has been committed to date. Ideas for the balance were requested.

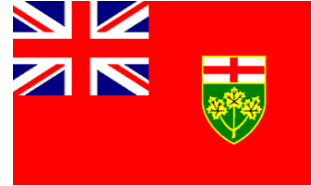
### Safety and Awareness Report

The Spring Tune-up was held on 25 April, 2010 commencing at 11am and lasting about 2.5 hours. There was a general discussion about possibly expanding the event to the Ottawa area to peek new rider interest. The Ottawa Safety Council runs a similar course but requires a minimum of ten riders to justify the costs. It was noted that the event is not a replacement for proper rider training but is in fact a quick refresher on select items done under a controlled environment to enhance existing skill sets.

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A few hundred road signs are available for those interested. Mike Bossio has some for the local members. More are available if requested. Riders have seen them on their rides in such far flung places as Brantford, Windsor, Brampton, Ottawa, Kitchener, Orangeville, Toronto and so on. For the benefit of the guests a discussion was held regarding the history of the Safety and Awareness grant.

### **Web-site**

Members had previously asked if the website could host a private forum where the ORRA representatives could communicate with each other and leave posts. ORRA Webmaster Chad has finished the forum.

ORRA ask that all clubs provide a biography of the club for posting on the website.

### **MCC Update**

The MCC is hosting a Canadian Womens Riders Congress at Deerhurst Inn 11 to 15 August 2010. All are welcome to attend.

MCC is also encouraging all people to participate in "Ride to Work Day" on 21 June, 2010. For more information see <http://motorcycling.ca/mcc/ridetoworkday/?lang=en>

The MCC Annual General Meeting will be held in October, 2010. The Hall of Fame Banquet will be held at the same time and the MCC has closed nominee recommendations. Book your tickets now for this great event.

### **Insurance**

The Executive have started to send out a letter with a generic insurance certificate stating that the "Member Club" is in good standing and if the insurance option is chosen a second line will indicate that they are covered by our insurance. If a Club requires a specific certificate naming a third party as additionally insured, they must notify the Executive 14 days in advance with the proper legal name of the entity, address, and date of the event. A custom certificate will then be generated.

### **Open Floor**

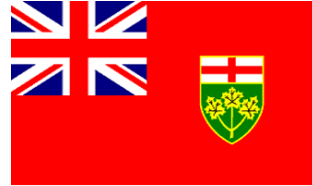
The ORRA Member Relations on the Executive is vacant. Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact us through the website or talk to the Executive after the meeting.

Kevin noted that the current ORRA executives term is up at the end of the year. Nominations were requested from the assembled members. Mike Bossio nominated Kevin and Marlene to continue. Nominations will remain open until the next meeting, during which the vote may take place.

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Kevin attended the Society of Ottawa Area Riders (SOAR) meeting on 12 May, 2010. SOAR's scope is much broader than ORRA's and ORRA offered some insight into potential pitfalls and the like. SOAR is set-up to address regional needs which is what ORRA has suggested for the past few years as a model for expansion and participation. ORRA will continue to assist SOAR if requested. SOAR is currently chasing the City of Ottawa for free parking, they have their committees up and running, and their next meeting is scheduled for 20 Sept, 2010. SOAR is also putting together a package on how to start a charity ride from scratch.

Perry from Yamaha Ottawa was at the meeting as is interested in joining and getting some ORRA posters for their shop. Kevin noted that posters can be provided, and that the current by-laws have no provision for a Dealership, but they didn't have the obverse either. The ORRA executive will review and advise.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

16 January 2010 – Mississauga at the International Motorcycle Supershow

10 April 2010 – Mississauga at the International Motorcycle Supershow

19 June 2010 – Ottawa Region – 1505 Carling Avenue.

25 Sept, 2010 – Parry Sound (Location to be confirmed followed by a Charity ride)

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