

WMOTA Board Meeting

April 7th, 2020

The Board held discussion of the following items. First, apologies for the length of this, but as we're not meeting, I thought a bit more detail in the Board minutes would be appropriate.

May Activities

As you are aware the Club has held no activities in April due to the social distancing guidelines in place for "flattening" the curve of the COVID-19 virus. As of now, these guidelines appear to be working. It's expected these guidelines will remain in effect until sometime in May and we think it's unlikely at this time the Club will have May activities. Obviously, if that changes you can expect to receive notice via e-mail.

The forest restriction limiting group size in the forest is still in effect. Remember the Forest Service order limits the number in a group to the current social distancing guidelines group size, which happens to be 10 persons or less now. The forest is open and a ride with just a small group is an excellent way to overcome the monotony just staying home. With a few machines it's easy to maintain social distance. If your group stops for lunch, just stay further apart while eating, at least 6'.

Remember, for the first time in history you can save the human race by laying in front of the TV and doing nothing. So, try not to screw it up. 😊

Club Finances

The chart below provides a summary of the Clubs income and expenses based on 2019, which is a fairly typical year.

WOMTA 2019 Financial

Summary

Income

	Amount	Percent
Dues	2,398	46%
Social Activities	1,556	30%

. . . Fall Festival	900	17%
. . . Beer & Music Festival	300	6%
. . . Tour of the White Mountains	100	2%
Total Volunteer Work Income	1.300	25%
Expenses		
Non-discretionary	1,408	31%
Discretionary	3,130	69%
Total Expenses	4,537	

Social Activities are 50/50 and Poker Runs for example.

Non-discretionary expenses are insurance and web site for example

Discretionary expenses are dinner at Fools Hollow Lake and new chairs for example.

Beer & Music Festival was supported by the Club last year, we assisted with parking and manned the gate. It is scheduled for June 13th this year. We were dissatisfied with how it was handled and felt the contribution made to the Club for our volunteers' efforts was insufficient. As it appears problematic that we will meet as a Club before this event and therefore the Club lacks the time to organize any volunteers. Also, given our dissatisfaction the Board felt that we should not support the Beer & Music Festival this year. A vote was taken, and the Festival organizers have been notified of our decision to not support the Beer & Music Festival this year.

Fall Festival overnight observation will start this year on the evening of Thursday, September 24th and end the morning of Sunday, September 27th. Normally the Club provides two people in 4-hour shifts, 6-10 pm, 10 pm to 2 am and 2 am to 6 am to provide a presence in Charlie Clarks orchard where the artists participating in the festival set up their tents. This involves 18 Club members 2 for each 4-hour shift for a total of 72 hours, so the Club gets about \$12.50 per hour for its volunteer work. This is the Club's major volunteer work money maker. Admittedly, the 10 pm-2 am and 2 am-6 am shifts aren't much fun, but on the other hand it's not much work either. A few walks around the area during your shift but most of the time is spent

sitting in your vehicle. There was not vote taken, but the sense of the Board is this is worth doing. This event is about 5 months out and we should have time for discussion. Assuming Club continues to support this event, Karen Smith, who has organized this for the last several years, would like someone else to handle the scheduling.

Tour of the White Mountains organized by Epic Rides is scheduled for October 3rd this year. The Club has support this in the past. The Club assists in directing participants to camper parking and tent camping area. The Club received only a \$100 donation for its volunteer work last year. Again, there was no vote taken, but the sense of the Board is that for just \$100 this is not worth doing. We'd be glad to hear opinions from the membership. This event is almost 6 months out and we should have time for discussion.

Ride Safety Briefing

Our Vice President, Don Kramer, suggested the Club should have a more formalized briefing for the Club's ride leaders. The Board voted agreement and Don has taken on that project.

Ride Chairperson

The Board felt that the Club could benefit from having a Ride Chairperson. Our Vice President, Don Kramer, agreed to take the position. A vote was taken, and Don Kramer was appointed Ride Chairperson.

First Aid Materials & Possibly Some Training

The Club now has a SpotXB. This is a device that uses satellites to summon emergency aid. So, if the Club is riding somewhere there is no cell coverage and emergency aid is needed the SpotXB can be used to summon aid. It is our plan to take this on our Club rides. We are also working on a process to allow Club members to borrow the SpotXB for rides they may plan where cell coverage is unlikely, and the device is not otherwise in use. For example, several our members rode in the Page area last fall and there was no cell coverage in many of the places the members rode. Those who borrow the SpotXB will be responsible for it and will need to understand its use. We're

working on putting together instructions for its use. The first instruction will be – **If you have cell phone connectivity, do not use the SpotXB, use your cell phone.**

Working with his son who is an EMT, Don Kramer has put together a list of first aid supplies we plan to acquire and package for our Club rides. Right now, as you may be aware, purchasing medical supplies is difficult. We plan to move ahead with assembling a Club first aid kit when the market for these goods has normalized.

We also discussed the possibility of offering some first aid training to Club members. The Board came to no conclusion on this and would be interested in hearing who might be interested in this type of training. We are **NOT** thinking anyone in the training would get any kind of a certificate or card, but simply be better prepared to act if confronted by some emergency. The Board would like to get sense of interest in this. If there is enough interest the Board would investigate the Club's options once things return to normal.

Lastly, I'm extending the Board's wishes for a Happy Easter and wishing you all safety and health.

WMOTA President