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**Lobby Day
May 28th in Raleigh**



Coming Events

February 16-17, 2007

Eastern District Swap Meeting
Wilson County Fairgrounds

February 23

Polar Bear Run
Chatham County

March 22 and 23

32nd Annual Charlotte Swap Meet
Metroliner Center
(see flyer)

March 29

Location to be announced
Basic Computer Skills for CBA

April 6

Randolph County Relay for Life Run

April 19

Annual Poker Run
Macon County

April 26

Central District Spoker Run

STATE MEETINGS 2008

Randolph County Lodge

April 12-13

July 12-13

October 11-12

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Letter from the Editor...

A new year is upon us and resolutions are probably already broken but if you don't do anything else this year, please commit yourself to become more legislatively active. It is an election year and we all need to build our bridges to the legislators who will help us in both the short session in 2008 and the long session in 2009. We must use the time wisely in 2008 because the real law changing work will need to be done in 2009. It is easy to talk about it... It is easy to have an opinion about it... But it is imperative that you get off your keesters and DO something about it. Now is the time to establish your relationship with your elected officials. Visit them while they are home, help them get elected or show them the way out.

I have a very wise friend and colleague who is a very good manager working at the same place as I work. She says three things about getting a job done: (1) Tell them what you are going to do; (2) DO IT; (3) Tell them that it's done. We can all apply ourselves using these three simple directives and really get the job done, as a team. She also says "there is no try... there is only do." Even though one might say I am higher up the ladder than she, I am not too dumb to know good instruction when I hear it. Heck fire.... She is formidable... I don't even say try... especially not within ear shot of her.

Our Opening Day this year has been designated as May 28th.... You have plenty of notice. Make plans to attend. Take the day off and gather up a group or several groups of chapter members and interested motorcyclists and get yourselves up to Raleigh. Doc Ski will also be hand for the session's Opening Day attending with a small leadership team. It is much preferred that if you are going to commit yourself to a day, please support the work to be done on CBA's designated Lobby Day. United we stand. One Team.... One Effort (thanks to Vinnie for this slogan)... I use it all the time.

Our freedoms and desires are being marched out the door by our willing meaning politicians. While we do have some very good friends at both the State and Federal level.... don't be fooled because they are not all our friends. Let's pull together and do the work of this organization!

God bless those of you with family members and friends fighting overseas and serving our country state side and most of all, God bless them for their sacrifice.

Take care of yourselves and each other.

Crazy Deb



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Announcements

We are pleased to announce that Doc Ski has been elected as Sustaining SMRO Representative to the MRF Board of Directors!

Remember to contact Doc Ski regarding the Legislative Awards to be handed out. He has the list and instructions and has offered the information several times. This is an important good will effort your chapter needs to make!

Don't say we didn't tell ya.... our Lobbying Day in Raleigh is May 28th. Make plans now to attend.

Deadline for next newsletter is March 20th. It will be an off newsletter because it will come out before the State Meeting so it is a good time to get your Chapter news out, coming events and personal stories and pictures.

If you haven't already..... REGISTER TO VOTE. Deadline to register for primaries is April 11. Every vote counts.... especially this year.

Freedom is not a spectator sport
Get off yer ass!

State Meeting Minutes Randolph County - January 13, 2008

President Randy Norris - present
Vice President Steve Knox - present
2nd Vice President Vicki Cole - present
Legislative Director Thomas Wasileski - present
Membership Services Gail Rumler - absent
Treasurer Darlene Kimsey - present
MSAP Director Matt Shamblim - present
Information Director Deb Knox - present
Secretary Cat Mohan - present
Eastern District Coordinator Charlie Boone - present
Central District Coordinator Robert "Shaggy" Causey - present
Western District Coordinator (interim) James Buckner - present

Opening Prayer offered by Cliff Cyphers
Pledge of Allegiance led by Doc Ski

CHAPTER ROLL CALL

All chapters were represented

Initial announcements: Sue Huttman was in an accident on the way to the meeting today but she will be ok [note: Sue showed up later in the meeting with a few stitches on her face]. Gwen Nichols of Randolph Co. CBA and former State Products Coordinator suffered a stroke this past week and is in ill health. We lost Leeann Redwine Brunswick Chapter to cancer in December. A Tar River Basin member was in a very bad accident in Florida and is in critical condition in a Miami hospital at this time.

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Name and Chapter
2. At-Large Members

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All chapter Treasurers clear Membership Services with the State Treasurer and State Secretary today. All quarterly reports go to Cat Mohan. Monies owed go to Darlene Kimsey. Randy reminded the chapters that quarterly statements need to be paid in a timely manner.

Beaver announced that Doc Ski had visited the Carteret-Craven chapter recently. The question had come up during Doc's visit as to why the State CBA needed money and Doc explained the expenses. Beaver had with him a check for \$200 from Carteret-Craven to donate to the state budget.

SWEARING-IN OF STATE OFFICERS – Cliff Cyphers led the swearing-in of the 2008-2009 State officers. Officers were asked to stand and raise their right hands and repeat the oath as follows: *I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully, impartially and conscientiously perform all the duties of the office of an elected State Officer of the CBA/ABATE of NC to the best of my ability, and that I will support the CBA by bearing allegiance to the same, so help me God.*

STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT: Cat Mohan – Cat stated the last meeting's minutes were published in the last state newsletter. Motion was made to accept the minutes as published; 2nd'ed and passed.

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT: Darlene Kimsey – Darlene summarized the General Account Inflow/Outflow 2007 which she had handed out to the membership. Motion was made to accept her report as stated; 2nd'ed and passed.

OLD BUSINESS - None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. New Chapter Charter: Cape Fear Valley – Robert Mass, President, stated that this new chapter has 55 members. They supported a fundraiser a few weeks ago & raised \$2200 for charity. Their meetings will be every 2nd Tuesday of every month. Post office box and checking account are established. A motion was made to charter Cape Fear Valley chapter; 2nd'ed and passed. Charlie Boone presented the chapter with their charter.

2. Western District Coordinator Position – Alan Dockery has resigned this position. James Buckner has stepped up as interim Western District Coordinator. Western District will vote for a new coordinator for 2008-2009. Nominations will remain open for 30 days as of yesterday.

3. CBA Young Activist Incentive Program – Randy introduced the program and Charlie spoke of the program details. This program was designed to motivate younger people into joining and learning about MROs. Charlie read the requirements from the handout. The

State BOD would choose which candidate would be selected. A motion was made to vote acceptance of this program today; 2nd'ed and passed. There was some discussion about the need to look at recruiting younger people into the organization (crotch rocket riders). A motion was made to change wording under Candidate Criteria, 2) "Candidates must be a member in good standing of the Concerned Bikers Association with two years of continuous membership" to "Candidates must be a member in good standing of the Concerned Bikers Association with one year of continuous membership." This was suggested as there are a number of new chapters. 2nd'ed and passed.

4. State Officer Assistants – treasurer, membership, legislative, secretary. Randy talked about needing help with these positions in case the current officers cannot do their role due to unforeseen circumstances. We are looking for members interested in learning these jobs that help keep this organization going. Let Gail, Doc, Darlene or Cat know if you are interested.

5. Continuing Education Program – In 2006, we made the commitment to have 2 sessions per year. Last year in March, the State sponsored a strategy planning session and Slider Gilmore came to talk about Accident Scene Management. Later in 2007, we sponsored an officer training session and awards banquet in November. For this Spring, we are considering a basic computer skills class as related to CBA for interested members. There was positive feedback on this proposal. It was suggested that we have pre-registration for this class to assist with planning. 29-March is the date agreed upon. Location and information will be sent out on the Staten chapter website.

6. EasyRiders Event – 26-27 January, Charlotte – CBA Booth – Dale Carroll had suggested we have state representation there. Since time was short, an executive decision was made to pay for a booth; cost is \$187.50 plus one admission for \$25. Shaggy has signup sheet. Each chapter is asked to put up flyers for the event as Chatham member (GB Lewis) donated 16 days passes to be used for working the booth and he asked for the flyers to be put up in his absence (working in Montana).

State Meeting Minutes (cont.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Further minutes/notes from these committees may be found in the newsletter.

1. Legislative Committee: Doc Ski –

- Doc spoke of the Helmet Citation Defense Project handouts;
- A Cape Fear Valley member said Wilmington police officers are being told to detain people without the 'proper' helmet until they have acquired the proper helmet; he provided Doc with the memo instructions to the officers.
- Lobby Day 28-May – try to show up for this day at the legislative buildings. Also, need to schedule each chapter to talk to their legislators.

Products Committee January 12, 2008

The minutes of the meeting were accepted as posted in the state newsletter.

Balance in checking account as of today is \$1337.35 – The activity is from products sold at last state meeting and from products sold to chapters since state meeting.

New Products. Last meeting we discussed new products and I have several coming. We talked about Blankets, lighters, coffee mugs, crystals, T-shirts, pricing out of patches. We discussed the new products that have been found. They are as follows – Licenses plate, coffee mug, and fleece blanket with CBA Emblem, Bic Lighters, and Lighted crystal. It was decided that we would add 2 items to the inventory at a time. The first 2 items we will add (with your approval) will be the License Plate and the coffee mug. The License plate at this time cost us \$10 and will find someone to reproduce the plate at a much lower cost. The committee voted to buy plates at a cost of \$10 with the intention of paying less. The coffee mugs will cost us \$2.50.

T-shirts – We have (after many searches) found a manufacturer that will reproduce our t-shirt at the price that we are paying now. We are hoping that the T-shirts are waiting for me when I get home. We will be sending out an e-mail to let everyone know that the T's are in. We also will be looking for Tall/X-Large shirts. We are also speaking with 2 businesses locally to reproduce our patches so that they will be made in the USA.

The membership did vote to add the Licenses plates and the coffee mugs to the products inventory.

- "CBA remembers its friends" – last year we gave awards/recognition certificates to those senators/representatives who helped us. This year, we need to get pictures of them receiving the awards from the chapter to get out to the public/websites/etc.

2. MRF: Cindy Hodges – Cindy was absent at this time (helping Sue Huttman). Charlie challenged chapters to become sustaining members (those that are not already members). Regarding the MRF position for which Doc was nominated, final votes will come in by 15-Jan.

3. NCOM: Doc Ski – no update

4. NC Confederation of Clubs: Doc Ski – no update

5. Products Committee: Darlene Kimsey – gave update on monies. She said that there are several new products coming;

- State license plates, still working on cost for 100 tags if EC approves. Motion was made to purchase 100 license plates at a reasonable price. 2nd'ed and passed.
- Also coffee mugs which would run around \$2.50 to buy initially. Motion was made to purchase 100 coffee mugs with CBA logo at a reasonable price. 2nd'ed and passed.

Darlene will have those products at the next EC meeting. More tshirts are ordered and will be arriving any time. Patches – working to come up with comparable price for USA made patches but it's tough to find a business that would make them within the USA that is not 3-4 times more expensive.

6. PR/Newsletter/Web Page Committee: Deb Knox - try to get newsletter info to Deb by the 20th; still working on an updated website, this is coming along. The deadline information has been changed to the 20th on the website.

7. Membership Committee: Gail Rumler – Gail chaired the committee meeting on Saturday but was not able to attend the Sunday EC meeting. Deb gave a summary of the committee meeting:

- We now have Paypal on website now.
- Associate membership numbers are working well to ramp up our member numbers.
- 164 members have not renewed in the last quarter 2007 and so far in January.
- Gaston Co. once again won the Quarterly Membership Award – up to 190 members.

8. Safety, Education and Awareness: Matt Shamblin – reported that 3700 students have been trained now. Still working on getting more chapters involved.

9. Constitution Committee: Charlie Boone – Charlie read the constitution changes; officers are to take back to their chapters and we will vote on them at next meeting.

10. Event Committee: Steve Knox – the committee has been non-active for the past 2 years. Some members have been asking for the state event to be reinstated. Motion was made to reinstate the State Events Committee, 2nd'ed and passed. Steve told the membership about the Ole Gilliam Park near Sanford and he/Shaggy are looking at it for a state social event in September. Members interested in getting onto the Events Committee, contact Steve via email.

DISTRICT COORDINATOR REPORTS

Central District: Robert "Shaggy" Causey –

- Central District Annual Spoker Run – 26-Apr;
- Charlotte did not profit well at last swap meet, there fore at the Spring swap meet, they will not be asking another chapter to do parking lot;
- Randolph is raffling a beach vacation;
- Cabarrus/rowan will sponsor a chili ride;
- Chatham sponsoring a polar bear run;
- Surry working on a ride for special Olympics;
- South Piedmont working on a ride, info forthcoming;
- Randolph, 6-Apr, Relay for Life ride.
- Shaggy is working on organizing the next MSAP workshop.
- Central District will be hosting next state meeting.
- Charlotte- 2-3Feb, will be sponsoring the preliminary accident scene management class, contact Gary Bridges, no charge.

Eastern District: Charlie Boone –

- 16-17 Feb, Eastern District Swapmeet;
- Carteret-Craven, 28may-1Jun Swapmeet/Bikeshow, looking for vendors;
- Granville is looking for memorial patches to use in MSAP program, send to Granville mailbox.

Western District: James Buckner

- Macon, in Feb (date tbd) doing ad in paper re helmet issue, this is an event to share information and build membership; also, 19-Apr, annual poker run;
- Buncombe – thanked Doc Ski for visiting their meeting recently.
- Gaston – 2mar, will be sponsoring a membership drive

Randy gave out the remaining chapter awards from the November banquet.

50/50 and raffles.

CLOSING COMMENTS

1. Next State Meeting Date: 12-13 April 2008
2. Closing Benediction
3. Motion to Adjourn – 12:23pm

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Meets at Breakzone Billiards at BMOC (Burlington Manufacturers Outlet Center). Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Brunswick Chapter *2003 Chapter of the Year*

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Wayne Mooney: (910)287-4495

Meets at 600 Ocean Isle Beach Road (4 mile road). Located in the CBA and the DAV lodge. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 8:00 PM.

Buncombe Chapter

PO Box 9271 • Asheville, NC 28815

Larry Blankenship: (828)683-3734

Email: blankenboat@charter.net • Web: www.buncombecba.com

Meets at Home Folks Diner, 1459 Merrimon Ave., Asheville on 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM.

Burke Chapter

5690 Ellis Drive • Hickory, NC 28602

Keith Bumgarner: (828)397-5837

Faith Hughes: (828)390-1431

Meets at AJ's Prime Sirloin on Hwy 181 North on 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 PM.

Cabarrus - Rowan Chapter

PO Box 326 • China Grove, NC 28023

Dwayne Jenkins: (704) 305-0774

Gary Livengood: (704)279-5343 / Email: dacynth@alltel.net

Meets at Cabarrus-Rowan Lodge, 1152 Hwy 152, Rockwell, NC on the 1st Saturday of the month at 5:00 PM.

Caldwell Chapter

PO Box 592 • Lenoir, NC 28645

Tim Austin: (828)381-2354

Ron Williams: (828)228-4330

Meets at Hilltop Restaurant, Hwy 321 in Lenoir next to Rooster Bush Chevrolet on 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM.

Cape Fear Valley Chapter

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Meets at Hilltop Restaurant, Hwy 321 in Lenoir next to Rooster Bush Chevrolet on 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM.

Carteret-Craven Chapter

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Meets at Jeans Place, East Main Street, Havelock on 1st Sunday of the month at 11:30 AM.

Charlotte Chapter

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Rick Nail: (704)391-1222

Meets at 10411 Beagle Club Rd. on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM.

Chatham Chapter

PO Box 408 • Apex, NC 27502

Mike Mohan: (919)363-8662

Wayne Glosson: (919) 542-4267

Meets at The Scoreboard in Pittsboro on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Columbus Chapter

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Meets monthly at the lodge - 47 Mercer Road, Chadbourn on the 1st Wednesday at 7:00 PM.

Davidson Chapter

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Ken Ward: (336) 225-4916

Meets at Christo's Restaurant, South Main Street in Lexington on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 5:30 PM.

Gaston Chapter

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Meets at Hillbilly's BBQ in Lowell, NC on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

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Davis Myrick: (252) 257-2436

Billy Pegram: (919) 451-7770 • Email: gazor25@yahoo.com

Meets on the lodge, Hwy 50 South in Creedmoor on the 1st Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM.

Hickory Chapter

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Rick Kilby: (828) 294-1705

Meets at the Wizard Lounge on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Macon County Chapter

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Meets at Prime Sirloin, 319 Carolina Mountain Road in Franklin on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. Meet at 6:30 prior to meeting to eat dinner.

New Hanover Chapter

PO Box 1429 • Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480

J. Phil Andrews: (910)259-5193

Meets at Kefi's, 2012 Eastwood Road in Wrightsville Beach on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Raleigh Chapter *2004 Chapter of the Year*

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Jean Dasnoit: (919) 819-3076

Andy Malinowski: (919)828-3676 / Email: amski@isp.com

Meets at the BBQ Lodge on Capital Blvd in "Mini City" on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 5:00 PM.

Randolph Chapter

PO Box 87 • Asheboro, NC 27204

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Meets at 620 Veterans Loop Road in Asheboro on 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

South Piedmont Chapter

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Chapter web: www.southpiedmontcba.org

Meets on 3rd Saturday of the month at 6:00 PM. Contact Keith Swann for meeting location.

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Meets at Sagebrush Steakhouse - Hwy 52, Mt. Airy on 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 PM.

Tar River Basin Chapter

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Jesse Watson: (919)778-0049 • Email: Bikerpoppop@aol.com

Meets at Fat Boy's Bar in Stantonburg, Hwy 58 (10 miles south of Wilson) on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Main meeting is on the 3rd Wednesday.

Triad Chapter

PO Box 678 • Pleasant Garden, NC 27313

Robert "Shaggy" Causey: (336)442-8885 • shaggy6901@trial.rr.com

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Meets at American Legion Post 206, Business I-85 between Brentwood and Baker Road in High Point on 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

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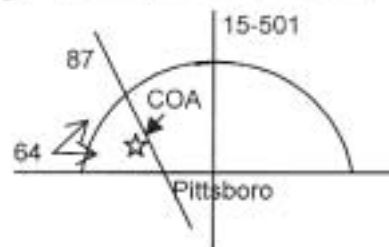
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S.E.A. Meeting Report - January 13, 2008

Due to the efforts of all the existing MSAP Instructors and all the new MSAP Instructors that answered the call for help in 2007, our program was presented to over THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED driver education students this past year. I want each and every one of you to know that I really appreciate your efforts and I will continue to do my best to support you in any way I possibly can. I am extremely thankful that you have the insight that allows you to see the value of this program and the willingness to act on it. I hope you will see fit to continue presenting our program while we all keep trying to recruit more volunteers. I promise I'll do whatever it takes to get them trained and ready to add their numbers to our ranks. Robert "Shaggy" Causey, our Central District Coordinator is already off to a running start with his recruiting efforts in his district and I will be working on Instructor workshops for the Eastern and Western

districts. If your chapter is not active with MSAP or you have additional volunteers that want/need to be trained, please contact Shaggy or me and we'll take care of the details. I'd like to see us add another 1500 students to our total in 2008, but it's going to take a lot more help. If you have a couple hours a month to do something that is very rewarding and just might save your life someday, give one of us a call or drop us an e-mail. Our contact info is posted within the State Website and printed inside the front cover of our 2008 calendar.

The N.C. GHSP is pleased with our use of their grant funding in 2007 and Doc Ski and I are planning to apply for another grant in 2008. We will be attempting to get more funding for Crash Prevention Seminars, an Anti-Riding While Impaired campaign, our MSAP Program, and our ASMI-BAP Program. Wish us luck, it can't hurt.

We still have quite a few of the "LOOK

TWICE SAVE A LIFE" yard signs. If you or your chapter would like to purchase some of them at a substantial discount from retail, send me an e-mail and I'll give you the details.

AND NOW FOR THE BEST PART:

I am very pleased to announce the inception of an annual award for our MSAP Program in honor of Lee Ann Redwine who passed away this past December. For those of you that never knew Lee Ann, she was the author, developer, and driving force behind the original Power-Point Program that became our MSAP Program. Without her effort, determination, and good ole know-how we wouldn't have this program as we know it today. The award committee will hopefully be ready to announce some of the details and qualifications for this award at our next quarterly meeting in April.

I hope to see you there,
Matt

Chapter Letters

Brunswick County

This time of year is just right for riding here at the beach, NO tourists and the weather's nice too. I enjoy the cool riding, much more than the "it's so hot it takes your breath" riding.

The chapter has not had much activity through winter. Individually we attended the local Toy Run at Wal-Mart which is always heart warming. The run in our area is done a bit different than others I've heard about. The entry fee is \$20 but it enables you to take an underprivileged child shopping with the money raised. The organizer has 2 check out lanes reserved for Toy Run recipients only. After all the children escorted by a biker are finished shopping, a check is written for the total of both registers. A day of great riding and making hearts feel warm, what's better?

Our lodge will be hosting 5th Tuesday dinners at 7:00, January 29, April 29, July 29, September 30, and December 30, this year. Anyone is welcome to join in the fellowship and food. Each dinner will be different (bar-b-q chicken, pot luck, burgers & dogs, ect...) and the cost is \$5 per person. Come out and enjoy! We also plan to have a Sweetheart dinner on Sunday February 10 at 12 noon with a ride afterwards. Last year's dinner was at night with Cheryl Kemp cooking some wonderful steaks & taters, and a tasty concoction in a pretty fountain. Hopefully this years Sweetheart dinner will be even better, with a little cooperation from the weather.

The Christmas Holidays were tough with the loss of Lee Anne Redwine (December 21st) and with the passing of Jerome Munna's Father, Anthony Munna (December 25th). Our hearts

and prayers go out to both families. Lee Anne will be dearly missed, as she was a driving force in our chapter.

Keep alert as your riding around our area, the tourist may be at their homes but the roads go though the deer's home.

Keep the shiny side up.

Becky Mooney
Brunswick County Chapter CBA
Secretary

Gaston County

We are very grateful to the BOD and the general membership for selecting Gaston CBA as Chapter of the Year for 2007. We would like to repeat this feat next year. As most of you know, this chapter was started in September of 2006. We have come a long way in a short time. We hope to be able to live up to the standards we have set for ourselves. We hope to continue to win the membership award for each quarter in 2008. This means we must maintain our recruitment efforts and strive to retain the members we have. If you have concerns about membership or general policies of the organization, please feel free to contact Long John the membership Chairman or another officer. We try to keep all of our members informed. Not everyone can make every meeting. If you are not receiving the Gaston CBA newsletter or the state newsletter, please let us know. Our email /calling post list is as up to date as the information you give us. If you have changed email or phone since you joined please contact Jill to

update 704-922-5437 or jillstil@bellsouth.net We have elected/re-elected are very good core of officers.

- Andrew (Sugarfoot) Jenkins, President
- Rodney (HotRod) Alexander, VP
- Kip Roseman, VP
- Terri Beard, Treasurer
- Jill Stillwell, Secretary
- Dale Carroll, Legislative/Information Services
- Jeff Reif, Safety&Ed/MSAP
- Mike (Slider) Caudle, Products
- Bob Trimnal & Charles (Bouncer) Thompson
Mst-Sgt-Arms

We are adding to the programs our chapter participates in on a continuous basis. Our MSAP program is reaching new schools each month. We have 7 active instructors and are looking for more. A very large Thank You to Rodney Alexander, Jeff Reif, Kip Roseman, Bill Starnes, Ken and Susan King and Dale Carroll for their time and effort on this. We are in 6 schools now, giving about 6 classes per month. There are 63 Driver's Ed classes in Gaston County per year. To reach them all we must have more instructors.

The chapter was very active in fund raisers this holiday season. We donated to 5 different LOCAL charities with money or time or toys, or all three. Due to illness, Bill from B&S Touring Supplies in Cherryville wasn't able to be Santa in the 12th Annual Gaston Toy Run for Kids. Gaston CBA members Duane and Ginger Tompkins did a great job stepping in this year as Mr&Mrs Claus. We have pictures of them and more on our website gastonabate.com.

Chapter Letters (cont.)

Our first annual Christmas party was a very groovy time for all. The King Biscuit Trio (member Tommy Smith plays lead guitar) gave us tunes from the beach to Zeppelin. Thanks to all the people who donated food and to all the one's who donated\$\$\$. Thanks to Rodney, Dale and George (lifetime member Randy's brother) for prepping the hams. Thanks to Rodney and Bob for cooking the turkeys. We had so much food left over, we were able to donate a lot of it to another needy social organization. We were glad to repay them for letting us use the clubhouse for our Fund Run in July.

Our legislative goal is to register 100% of our members to vote. Bill Starnes has agreed to be the co-legislative officer and to head the voter registration drive. We also plan on a constituent visit to Raleigh in June. We are inviting all the local candidates to speak at our meetings. In the interest of legislative cooperation with other organizations, we are having a charter ride to The Patriot's Day Celebration on April 19th in Raleigh (in honor of The Revolutionary War Patriots, did you

know that less than half of the citizens supported a break from English rule, and much fewer than that actually fought in the War for Independence, sounds familiar, don't it?)

Chapter meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month 7 PM at Hillbilly's in Lowell just off I85 exit 23. We have started a 4th Saturday night supper get together for the winter months. The first one was at The Riverview Inn on the river (imagine that!) at the Mecklenburg/Gaston Line on 74. January supper will be at Tequila's II next to CVS/Bi-LO at 2206 Union Rd(intersection of Hudson and Union) at 6Pm on January 26th . February 23rd will be at The Gondola in Bessemer City on 274.

There was a little confusion for our event dates in the CBA calendar. The 2nd Annual GastonCBA / HotRod Cycles Polar Bear Run is on January 5 2008. The Gaston CBA Fund Run will be held on July 19th and The Gaston CBA / Long Johns Cycles Anniversary Freedom Ride will be on September 13th.

Once again, if you get this way and don't

care for the ambiance of the Queen City, come see us in the ugly-step-sister city.

Triad Chapter

Hey Everybody! This is Shaggy, and believe it or not the members of the Triad Chapter voted to keep me around as President for another year. This will be my fourth consecutive year holding this position, and I sure do appreciate their confidence in me, but enough about me, let's talk about what I'd like to see the Triad Chapter accomplish this year. We don't have a whole lot coming up event wise until our annual Poker Run/Scavenger Hunt in April. But I will be strongly encouraging my members to attend and support other local chapters events. Please look for our flyer for the Poker/Scavenger event coming soon to the state, central district, and Triad Chapter websites. We'd really appreciate everyone's support.

Sincerely,
Robert "Shaggy" Causey
President Triad Chapter



You know it was about two years ago when I was first introduced to Motorcycle Safety Awareness' Program. The class was being held at the American Legion Hall in High Point. Leaving out with lots of info under my belt there still weren't any CBA members in Alamance County to help keep the ball rolling with this vital info. While attending another class at ACC needing to choose a project I knew something about I picked what was near & dear to my heart, MSAP. Being an avid rider for close to 20 years, I did an oral presentation with an ol' road brother of mine about MSAP. My partner is a retired furniture peddler & has the gift of gab & presents for keeping the audience attention. We didn't have a class room but some elementary age kids from a BBQ to practice on, all went well & we all had fun. I did however have the hopes of attracting some volunteers from the other bikers standing around at this informal occasion. One in particular was another riding buddy of mine, Dusty who made the crash noise for us in the "sunny day" demonstration. Everyone had a good time but the message was left at this short event that day.

My heart was still very passionate about passing on this message to those who will be sharing the

road with us riders in the future. Like many of you out here, I'm sure you have experienced the changes in the type vehicles these kids drive & driver's in-experience on our roads these days.

My membership for CBA was not renewed for a year with the low participation in my area (one other member at the time) along with other obligations for the Sober Bikers United I am involved in. After a year went by, some of my time opened up & I was missing the current info on what's going on in the biker world with our new laws ect... New membership was sent into CBA to satisfy my curiosity early August 2007. To date one week later my friend Dusty was run over & killed by a sixteen year old on a "sunny day" on a country road in Alamance County. No mind or mood altering substances were involved; just plain in-experience of a youth not watching what he was doing was the culprit.

Of course I was making contact with whoever came to mind for help. The CBA membership package had just arrived & was sitting on my table. So I started burning up the phone lines, asking for help in whatever way I could. I was directed toward RAZ my local contact with CBA for action in my now larger then ever & active county.

Dragging out all the info I still had from my earlier class & taking a more up to date class which MSAP Matt came to town to give. What a super guy jumping to action like he did! A few more riding buds were involved too. New CBA members joined. We were off & running!

A Tribute to a Brother in the Wind R.I.P. "Dusty"

My first formal school setting class was 12/13 with 29 students & an understanding drivers-ed instructor. A fellow SBU member at my side we gave the class what we had to share. It was so amazing to see in the student's eyes, that we had they're complete & undivided attention. Most had never seen bikers close up or for that fact talked to one. They had lots of questions & participated well. The hour flew by!

At the end when the comment sheets were taken up I couldn't wait to read what these bright kids really had to say. My first stop was at the diner down the road to read the hand-outs. They're notes on "what information will help you be a safer driver" were to look out for motorcyclists, look twice, save lives.... You know I started to cry & my heart filled with joy when it sunk in that over half of these kids got what we went there to share. If we don't reach out & inform these kids about bikers, then who will?

Some may call this volunteer thing a job but it is fun & rewarding in many areas of the biker's life. If you haven't tried it I urge you to take a chance & at least find a class to sit in on one "sunny day". You will make a difference & maybe even save a bikers life. The beginning of the solution for saving lives is in our hands now.

Ride Safe, Ride Free,
Mouse

"The real cycle you're working on is a cycle called 'yourself'"

Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes - January 12, 2008

I. Admin:

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Moment of Silence
- c. Secretary's Report: Read by Charli Chandler. Motion to accept, 2nd, passed.

II. Issue-Team Reports:

MC Licensing (Larry B): Still working with Rand to change bill. We have put out letters to businesses telling them how this might affect them. We may add sample letters to website.

ROW (Deb Knox): We will be working with Dewey Hill in 2008. Deb is preparing a report on how other states are handling this issue & working on tracking ROW accident #'s. Susan H. said to work with Bicycle, Pedestrian & Disabled groups to gather data. Randy N. said check newspapers, clip articles. Beaver said accident reports and citations are public record, that's how lawyers get your contact info. Doc agreed & said we need more people compiling data.

Mandatory Rider Re-Education (Raz): Cindy H. asked if it is unlikely they will take the BRT out of community colleges.

Anti-Discrimination (Mark L): There is currently an anti-discrimination clause for business in NC... This clause prohibits discrimination based on race, sex, religion, etc. We are trying to add the language: "mode of transportation and, cultural attire..

Noise Pollution (Doc Ski): Nothing going on in NC this session, but places like Denver are still having issues.

HIPPA (Fre): We have 7 NC legislators who have signed onto the reformation bill. Butterfield, R. Etheridge, R. Hayes, W. Jones, B. Miller, Sue Myrick, & D. Price. Please contact them and thank them for their support.

- Right to Repair Act (HR 2694)
- SAFETEA-LU § (MSAP-Matt)

III. Helmet Citation Defense Team:

Susan Huttman – Chair (Alan Dockery resigned as co-chair)

a. Citation Defense Network:

Communication is imperative! Educate yourself on how you can get the word out about this issue. We need to track tickets and find out which areas are targeting bikers.

-Chapter/District Coordinators:

There will be 3 District coordinators and 1 liaison from each chapter. Please contact Susan and let her know who your chapter's liaison will be. She encourages liaisons to personally work with ticketed folks as much as possible, even attend court with them if you have time. Be a part of the whole process so we can collect as much data on the process as possible. Susan will work with individuals to show them how to research websites & pull up public record info for our database.

b. *Personalized Legal Brief:* Susan handed out packet. Bob Donat will offer free consultation to anyone ticketed.

c. *Helmet Law Repeal Petitions:* Michelle from CBA of the Pines has collected 137 signatures already! Stores are still selling illegal helmets (no recalls). Chinstraps must have metal closure D-rings, not plastic quick-release. Helmet must have manufacturers label inside & DOT sticker must be under the clear-coat. But Charlie B. said nothing in the law says you must keep the manuf. label or DOT sticker on after purchase.

d. *Awareness Rally:* May 28th will be our Lobby Day in Raleigh. We've moved it back 2 weeks from opening day to give legislators time to settle in so they'll have time to talk with us. Beaver got an email from one of his reps, he said they DO listen. It'd be nice to see 300-400 people attend this year, last year we had about 80.

IV. Old Business:

a. NC Legislative Issues

-SB 375: MC learner's Permit – Pending for 2008. We will try to reduce or remove the threat to the Learner's Permit Act – Pending for 2008

-SB 1121: UNC Cent for MC Safety and Crash Prevention – Pending-Crossover

b. National Legislative Issues

-MRF Report (Fre) MRF will be releasing a statement this year giving their recommendations. They held a press conference that went over well congressmen attended.

-NCOM Report (Doc Ski): We need a Rep to sponsor an anti-discrimination act bill

c. *District Legislative-Directors' Reports:* No District Reports were provided

d. *Chapter Updates:* No chapters reported on activities.

V. New Business:

a. NC Bike PAC:

- Will provide funding to attend political fundraisers.

- Doc Ski asked chapters to consider organizing event to raise funds for NC Bike-PAC

b. Legislative Agenda for 2008 (May 08)

1. Organizational Development Activities:

- Fundraisers: Doc Ski suggested that chapters and/or individuals organize fundraisers for supportive elected officials through Bike PAC in July/August.

-Legislative Retreats – Doc Ski reported that he has modified his format and schedule for Legislative Retreats and is available at Chapter requests for "one-day topic specific" seminars. He asked Chapter LC's to try to organize at least one in their chapter during the session break (Now till

May 2008).

-Constituent Team Activities: Building Bridges

-Home Office Visit – doc Ski suggested that local Chapters and members visit their elected officials in their home office during the session break. He has materials available for chapters to use in discussing our issues with local elected officials.

-Award Presentation/News Release – Doc ski has sent out a list of legislative awards through the LC list and the StateNChapter list. He is asking chapters to contact and present awards to the designated elected officials.

- Bike PAC activities – Money is available for chapters and members to attend or organize fund raiser events in their local area.

-District Legislative Directors- No district reports

2. Legislative Agenda for 2008:

- Handout: We need to create materials to provide our Reps so that we can be more effective in expressing what we want them to do.

-Call to Action:

Calling Post Service has been useful. All Assoc Members have been added to the calling post files and will receive telephonic alerts posted to the Calling Post service.

2008 Legislative Agenda Issues:

-Amend ROW (Misdemeanor Death by vehicle)

-Helmet Law Repeal -

-Equal Access/Anti-Discrimination

-UNC Safety Center

c. *NHTSA/NTSB/NGSO Collaboration-* Doc ski briefly explained the complex bureaucratic and non-governmental agency collaboration of safety professionals and National organizations representing professionals.

VI. For the Good of the Organization:

- Protest Rallies- Doc Ski briefly explained that protest rallies are important to raise awareness, however, the only way to get the law changed is through legislative activity (introduce and get a bill passed).

VII. Calendar:

a. NCOM Annual Convention (Houston): 8-11 May 2008

b. Best of the East – Mass

c. Best of the West – Wash

d. CBA/ABATE of NC BOD: 22 Mar 2008

Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Charli Chandler

Activity Update from Central District

2008 has been pretty productive here in the Central District. The decision to get a booth at the Easyriders Bike Show in Charlotte on January 26th & 27th paid off in a big way as far as I'm concerned. I'd like to thank everybody who showed up to help out. I was really impressed that everyone who signed the volunteer sheet showed up, and then some. All three districts were represented at one time or another, and besides handing out tons of membership applications, we also got 1,100 signatures for the HCDP Helmet Repeal Petition! The crowd was extremely responsive and we were really able to talk one-on-one with hundreds of people from all over the state. We also spoke with a lady out of ABATE of SC who is trying to get an MSAP into their drivers ed. classes as well. Hopefully we can assist them in getting that off the ground quickly.

Also, Charli and I just got back from attending the Accident Scene Management, Inc. (ASMI) course that the Charlotte Chapter so generously offered at no charge February 2nd & 3rd at their lodge. Janet & John Bridges, along with Sharon Campbell did a great job on the presentation. It was sad, though that neither of the classes was filled to the 25 person capacity. Not only was the course offered free of charge, but the informa-

tion gained was priceless! I would love to see every member of the CBA take this class. Several people there who had taken the course previously told stories of how they (or someone else they knew who took it) have used what they learned at several accident scenes. I know we have at least four CBA members who are now teaching this class, so I urge anyone who has the chance to attend a class in their area to do so. (Too bad you missed your chance to get it for free!)

The last thing I'd like to mention is that I really need any C.D. Chapters who haven't sent their beginning time and locations for the Spoker Run to either me or Gwen Nichols ASAP! And on that note I want to say how glad we all are that Gwen is feeling better! We really missed you in January and I want you to know that you are invaluable to this organization and everything you do is appreciated...so you better be resting (as much as you can) and taking care of yourself!

Thanks,
Robert "Shaggy" Causey
President Triad Chapter
Central District Coordinator

Representative Ric Killian Is Honored by The Concerned Bikers Association of North Carolina

On -23 January 2008 members of The Concerned Bikers Association/ABATE of NC presented the Patriot Statesman award to Representative Ric Killian (Mecklenberg), the Republican Freshman Chair. This award was presented to recognize his exemplary testimony in support of Motorcyclists' Issues during legislative committee meetings and in the House Chamber.

An avid motorcyclist himself, Representative Killian knows the issues facing motorcyclist on NC's highways and has provided his staunch support and, sound advice in CBA/ABATE's efforts to educate his legislative colleagues. "Too frequently, our elected officials are recognized only when they have displeased their constituents. Our membership wants to publicly acknowledge the efforts of legislators who work with us on important issues", said Doc Ski, Legislative Director for CBA/ABATE of NC.



According to Doc Ski, "This past legislative session was especially important to bikers in North Carolina. By

sharing his, personal experiences with his legislative colleagues, Ric Killian helped North Carolina lawmakers better understand the important role of motorcycles in



the transportation network." Doc Ski added, "During deliberations in the House Transportation Committee, Representative Killian provided his unsolicited testimony in support of the Exemption for Motorcycles at malfunctioning traffic signals (SB 1359). His remarks helped his colleagues to understand the dangers faced by a motorcyclist trapped at an intersection with a malfunctioning signal, and proved instrumental in helping this bill to pass the critical committee deliberations."

In receiving the award, Representative Killian thanked the group for their involvement in NC's legislative activities and, for the many contributions The Concerned Biker's Association makes in our state.

Representative Dale R. Folwell Is Honored by the CBA/ABATE of NC

During activities at their Annual Awards Banquet on November 17, 2007, The North Carolina Concerned Bikers Association/ABATE of NC awarded Representative Dale R. Folwell, Republican Joint Caucus Leader, the North Carolina Legislative Champion Award. The award was presented to Representative Folwell for his "exemplary efforts championing the safety of North Carolina motorcyclists".



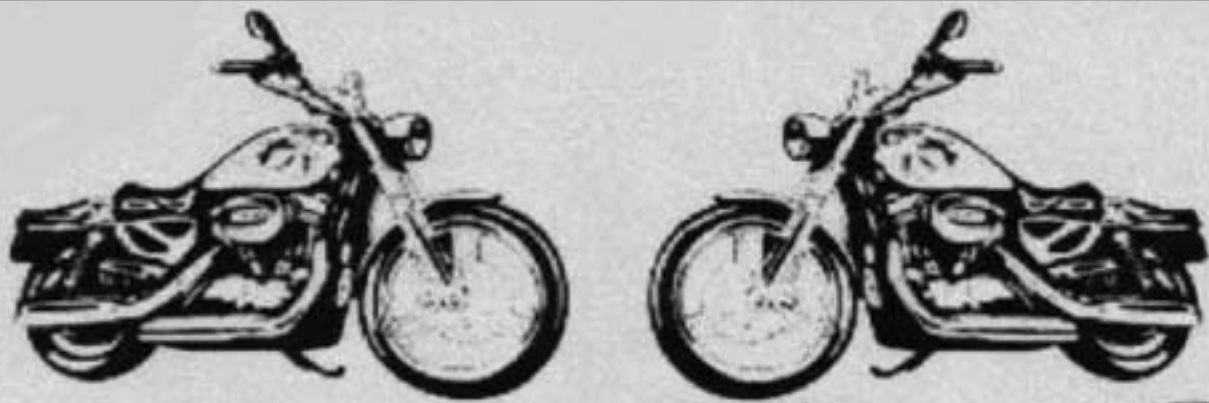
An avid motorcyclist himself, Representative Folwell, is recognized in the motorcycling community for his world record for extreme long distance motorcycle riding. In October 2006, Dale completed a

48 state, 32,986 mile, 30 consecutive days motorcycle ride to honor the memory of his son Dalton and to raise funds for Tissue and Organ Regeneration research.

According to Dr Thomas Wasileski (Doc Ski), Legislative Director for CBA/ABATE, "This past legislative session was especially important to bikers in North Carolina, and Representative Folwell was ever present with sage advice, knowledge about the legislative processes, and frequent personal intervention in our efforts to work within our legislature to keep the roads safer for motorcyclists."

"Too frequently, our elected officials are recognized only when they have displeased their constituents. Our membership wants to publicly acknowledge the efforts of legislators who work with us on important issues", said Doc Ski. "Representative Folwell served as the House co-sponsor for Senator Austin Allran Senate Bill 1359: Red Light Exception for Motorcycles. Representative Folwell's arguments on the floor of the House Chamber and, in select House and Senate Committees, were instrumental in the passage of this bill which allows motorcyclists to proceed when conditions are safe."

In receiving the award, Representative Folwell thanked the group for the role they played in getting Senator Allran's bill passed and for the many, many contributions The Concerned Biker's Association makes in our state.



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CBA Young Activist Program

Biker "Freedom Fighting" activists have recognized for some time that our membership and leaders are aging, and that there is a need to encourage younger people to become involved in motorcyclists' rights. To that end, the Concerned Bikers Assoc. has created a scholarship fund to recognize deserving candidates who are a minimum of 18 years old and not over 27 years of age who otherwise may not be able to attend educational conferences outside of North Carolina.

The CBA has previously committed to sending two people to the MRF Meeting of the Minds each year. The CBA Young Activist program would add an additional person to that number, if there were qualified applicants. Nominations will be accepted from any CBA member in good standing, and must be submitted on the CBA approved application form below.

Candidate Criteria:

- 1) Nominated candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 27 with a valid Motorcycle Endorsement on their Drivers License. 27th birthday must fall after Meeting Of The Mind's conference for that year.
- 2) Candidates must be a member in good standing of the Concerned Bikers Assoc. with two years of continuous membership.

3) Candidates must be nominated by a CBA member in good standing. Nominations must be submitted on a CBA approved application form.

4) Nominations must be submitted between October 1st and June 30th and postmarked no later than June 30th of the year for which the application is submitted.

5) Candidates are to submit a minimum two hundred (200)-word essay on why biker's rights are important to them. A well written essay from the heart is like a picture or blueprint of who the candidate is; coming directly from the candidate, this gives the committee members a better perspective of the individual. Include the essay with the CBA Young Activist Scholarship application form.

Winning candidates will be announced via an CBA E-mail News Release on or about August 1st. All candidates will be notified with a letter of thanks and encouragement to re-submit their candidacy for the next year if they are not the selected winner.

What Do Winning Candidates Receive?

Σ One-year membership to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, effective the first full day of the Meeting of the Minds during the year in question.

Σ Round-trip airfare to the MRF's Meeting of the

Minds conference, or alternate travel expenses so long as those expenses in total do not exceed the cost of traveling by air. If an alternative mode of transportation is chosen, candidates will be required to provide receipts in order to be reimbursed (receipts will be accepted for tickets on other modes of transportation, hotel accommodations, gasoline and food purchased while traveling to and from the Meeting of the Minds conference). If there is any question about acceptable travel expenses, it is the responsibility of the candidate to check with the CBA Board of Directors prior to incurring said expenses.

Σ Hotel accommodations at the Meeting of the Minds conference. Accommodations will include the hotel room only. Telephone, food, movie rentals, etc. will be the sole responsibility of winning candidates.

Σ Meeting of the Minds conference registration and banquet fees paid by CBA.

Σ Special recognition at the CBA State Meeting. Said recognition will include a plaque, presentation of one-year membership, and other items or activities as approved by the CBA Board of Directors.

Σ Questions about the CBA Young Activist Scholarship Fund should be directed to the CBA State President.

CBA YOUNG ACTIVIST SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DATE: _____

CANDIDATE NAME: _____

CANDIDATE STREET ADDRESS: _____

CANDIDATE CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

CANDIDATE E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CANDIDATE PHONE NUMBER: _____

NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY: _____

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: _____

SIGNATURE OF NOMINATOR: _____

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER:

- 1) Why you feel this person should be selected.
- 2) Other considerations: Explain any extenuating circumstances that you feel are appropriate, such as job, family, school, finances, etc.

MAIL COMPLETED NOMINATION FORM TO THE CBA MEMBERSHIP SERVICES DIRECTOR:
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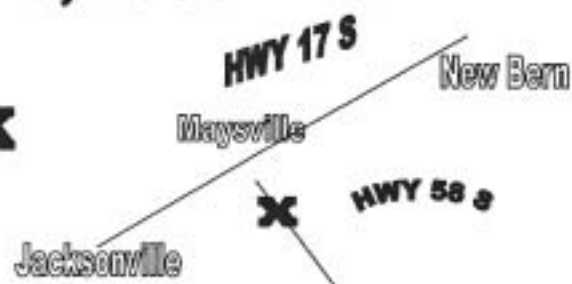
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Central District Meeting Minutes - January 12, 2008

I. Welcome and Introductions

1. Members Present: Robert "Shaggy" Causey, Charli Chandler, Vicki Cole, David Hancock, Gary Cooper, Bill & Darlene Kimsey [Triad], Jim Everhart, Sandy Thomas [Davidson] Derek & Linda Hall, Jim Brophy [Charlotte] Raz & Ginger [Alamance] Joey Mitchell, Norm Martindale [Surry] Buddy Granger [Randolph] Dwayne & Terry Jenkins, Robert Dowsee [Cabarrus/Rowan] Mike & Cat Mohan [Chatham]

II. Reports

- Secretary: Motion to accept minutes as sent in state newsletter by Linda H., 2nd by Vicki C., passed.
- Treasurer: Carol Bullard not present so any info. was unavailable. Her membership status was in question; Shaggy said he'd contact her.

III. Old Business

- Officer Training Seminar: Discussion amongst members
- Awards Banquet: Shaggy congratulated all chapters who were recognized.

IV. New Business

- Spoker Run: April 26th
 - Which Chapter will Host? Charlotte, final destination will be Easy Eddies in Huntersville. Arrival 2 PM
 - Advertisements/Fliers :would like to get ad or flier into state newsletter by Jan 20th deadline.
 - We will need each chapter's starting place & time: Please email info to Shaggy by Jan 31st.
 - Hosting Chapter will need to have and in-take table set up at the final destination where everyone will hand in Poker sheets and receive a ticket for the \$500 prize. Linda H. will handle having table set up.
 - We will have a plaque for best hand from each chapter: Buddy Grainger said Randolph County will handle Plaques
 - Shaggy suggested that neighboring Chapters ride in /meet-up together. Jim Everhart said he'd work on possible routes/meeting areas. Cabarrus/Rowan said we could use their lodge.
- MSAP Instructor Workshop
 - We have a sign-up sheet today for those interested.
 - Chapter Officers please have a sign up sheet (I will provide) at your next meeting for those not here, and send me their contact info. ASAP: Shaggy said he'd propose to Matt Shamblin @ MSAP Comm Meeting that each District have someone able to conduct these Instructor Workshops.
- Easyriders Bike Show Volunteers
 - Please sign up for times and day(s) you're available, or have others email or call me to sign up.

- Updated contact info. for Central District Officers
 - I have a sheet here. Please list your chapters President, VP, Secretary, & Treasurer's current contact information.
- District budget for national events: Members agreed it would be hard to discuss these topics with no Treasurer's Report to work from.
 - How will we budget for this in 2008?
 - How much per person? \$50 cap per person (We will reimburse with receipts after attendance) Motion was made, 2nd, and passed.
 - What about "at large" members? At Large Members must approach the Central District first, and ask ahead of time if they're willing to reimburse.
 - Darlene said we didn't use the entire \$1000 we allotted for national events last year. Charli C. suggested that we take the money we didn't spend last year of that \$1000, and donate it to Bike PAC, or MRF, or split it up between the two. Discussion was tabled until a Treasury report could be produced.
- How can we together as a district to support individual chapter events?
 - Use the Central District Website (<http://centraldistrict.tripod.com/>) to communicate about upcoming events. Try not to schedule events on the same dates so that we can support each other instead of competing.
- State Event/Volunteers for Events Committee
 - We haven't had a state event in 2 years. We want this one to be just for fun!
 - Steve Knox & I are will be organizing an events committee this year. It would be nice to see each Chapter President on this committee, but of course everyone is welcome & encouraged to participate.
 - Tentative place and dates are The Ole Gilliam Mill Park around September 12th, 13th, & 14th. I have some pictures here, but the website link below has more pictures and information if you're interested. Steve K. will have more info tomorrow at the State Meeting. There was much discussion that many Western District members probably wouldn't attend because that's the weekend of the Cherokee Rally. Others suggested we move it to Labor Day Weekend, that would even give us an extra day.

View website at:
[http://blue.der.state.nc.us/servlet/ascwp/search?sr=no&qry=Inst&tm\]=Ole%20Gilliam%20Mill%20Park](http://blue.der.state.nc.us/servlet/ascwp/search?sr=no&qry=Inst&tm]=Ole%20Gilliam%20Mill%20Park) for more information and pictures. Please send any feed back to Shaggy or Steve Knox.
- Shaggy reminded everyone that the next state meetings in April would be hosted by the Central District, so each chapter needs to have members here to help clean up and help out with meals. Mike Mohan made Motion to allocate \$400 to buy food for next meeting. Charli C. 2nd passed.
- Linda H. said Charlotte has 2 members who have been certified as ASMT's, but need to conduct 2 basic classes before they can teach the advanced course. Charlotte is hosting and covering all costs for two day courses on Feb 2nd & 3rd. The classes are limited to 25 people each. First come, first serve. Contact Gary Bridges to sign up.

Central District Coordinator: Robert "Shaggy" Causey (336)442-8885 shaggy6901@tripod.com
 Central District Committee Minutes respectfully submitted by Charli Chandler (Gwen Nichols was sick)

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