



ROGUE VALLEY WINGS NEWSLETTER

January Minutes 2012

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<http://gwta-oregon.org/A-calendar.htm>

February Birthdays:

Clarence Hancock - 2nd

Nancy Saber - 3rd

Bonnie Balloy - 5th

Terry Ashcraft - 6th

Patrick Morlan - 7th

Richard Perry - 13th

Vickie Hancock - 15th

Vicki Hange - 18th

Donna May - 28th

February Anniversaries:

None to announce!

I have a volunteer to do the newsletter. Please thank Joyce Armstead for taking over the job of Newsletter editor job when you see her. My thanks to you Joyce. I have a volunteer for backup for the website. It is Bill Erickson who does Chapter M's website. Thank you, Bill.

POLAR BEAR RIDE - 1/1/2012

I just wanted all of the members of the Rogue Valley Wings that we are the biggest wimps of the Club, but persistent.

Marty and Carmen decided it would be fun to jump on the bikes/trikes and drive to the Coast for lunch on 1/1/12 New Year's Day. We were to meet at the Fair Grounds at 10:00 am and motor onto Crescent City for lunch.

Cordell was the first at the Fair Grounds then Scott and I showed up. We both had five layers on and to that point it wasn't too bad of a ride. Several came to join us in their four-

wheelers [Richard and Lucinda and Helder and Cindy]. There were four or five other bikes that showed up among them, Carmen and Marty, Clarence & Vickie Hancock, Tom Pitman. I really couldn't see who all was there as I was plastered to my seat and could not move due to the amount of clothing I had on, so forgive me for the ones I did not mention.

I just want you to know layers don't always work.

We started off from the Fair Grounds and traveled to Cave Junction. Just after Selma, I told Scott to let Marty [our fearless leader] know that we were going to pull off at the Junction Inn and probably head back home. Scott and I were both frozen by that time.

Donna May and J.D. met up with us there, and the troops drove onto the Coast. Scott and I had a nice warm breakfast and then headed home via the back road by Shan Creek and Griffin Park out through Merlin and onto our home. By the time we got home we were both blue. It was 31 when we left home that morning and a real heat wave soared raising the temperature to 37 when we got home. We then enjoyed a nice day lounging on the couch watching football all day and relaxing.

When the troops got back we all met at Abby's Pizza on Williams Highway for dinner. The brave souls who went to the coast really enjoyed their ride. So they said. They said after they got through the tunnel into California the weather warmed up in the 60's and it was that temperature on the coast all day. Likely story, they all probably had brain freeze by that time. They say when you freeze to death, you feel like you're getting warmer just before you expire.

I don't think it ever got out of the 30's here so I was just as happy to be at home. I really felt for those who had to drive home on their two and three wheels after dinner. We got smart and brought the car. I know some of them had a long way to go, Canyonville, Glendale, Williams, Cave Junction, etc.

Perhaps when the temperature gets a LOT warmer, we will try it again.

Sharon Starke (Wimpy No. 2) and
Scott Starke (Wimpy No. 1) You know you always give the man of the house the first title.

Rogue Valley Wings General Meeting January 21, 2012

Ken opened the meeting with 26 members and 3 guests. He asked Daryl to bless us with an opening prayer.

He announced birthdays and anniversaries. J.D. gave us an update on how Chuck and Linda are, as we hadn't heard from him recently.

We received a nice thank-you from the ROC (food bank). They are providing food for more people than ever and really appreciate the money we gave them.

Ken talked about the past rides and fun things we have done. We did have a polar bear ride to the coast for lunch on January 1st. We also met for pizza that same afternoon at Abby's.

The 4th of February is the State staff meeting at Bud and Nancy's house. This will happen from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. All state staff are encouraged to come.

The Super Bowl party is at the Starke's on the 5th of February. This is a potluck. You know what to do.

Chapter A's next meeting is February 18th.

February 25th is the sticky bun potluck brunch at the Armstead's. It will start and 10:00 a.m.

The fish fry is the 18th of February on the coast to help the firemen.

We have applications and fliers here for you to keep in your bike for the new people who would like to join us. Please take some.

Next weekend Jan. 28 is Chapter M's meeting at the Black Bear in Medford. All are welcome.

Marty suggested we get as many as possible for the Sawdust Theater. We are planning to go in June. Last year Chapter M and A met and saw the play. We all had a wonderful time. This will be another invitation for Oregon Chapters to join in our fun.

Gold Rush will begin on July 23rd this year. Get your registration in for \$25.00 per person. Don't wait, because after the 1st it goes up to \$50.00 a person.

Maybe a campout over the 4th of July could happen. Please give us suggestions. This chapter always has a wonderful time.

We need to plan a day for the garage sale again. Save all good used things for the chapter garage sale. It is normally in June. No clothes except for motorcycle riding gear.

The 21st anniversary of Chapter A will be celebrated on March 3rd with a pizza party. Details to be announced.

Patrick Morlan won the 50/50 drawing for \$44.00. He gave the whole amount to our charity fund. Thank you Patrick.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Carmen Warren
Secretary



Chapter M's next meeting is February 25, 2012, see calendar for place and time.