

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS ALASKA

Meeting Minutes ALRA Fall Workshop November 17, 2012 Jack Henry Post 1 in Anchorage

Director Don Ridl called the meeting to order. Said it was to be an informal meeting.

Pledge and Prayer

Things to talk about before Department

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Officer calls before January. Comment made that it should be same as all other Post committees, for Department any problems put together a slate of officers and bring them to Department for approval. Send letter to different Chapters offering you as an officer or position. For whatever positions are not filled we get them off the floor at Department. Timeframe for soliciting nominations, need to be on to be on the agenda at Department.

Motion to Director to schedule ALR meeting at Department for Friday afternoon 2-4 to take care of ALRA Officer business. May be difficult the first time at Department and interfere with Auxiliary. Sometimes choices may need to be made between committees and ALRA. Seconded by Jim Petito. Motion passed

ROMP was voted at ALRA Convention in June to take place in North Pole, June 2013. HOG rally has moved to same weekend. Will be left up to Chapter 30 as to what weekend we will have ROMP. ROMP will be June 14-15 with a small meeting to conduct ALRA business. Jim Petito of Chapter 35 will be Games Coordinator. ROMP will be at same time as Boys State and Girls State. We should schedule time to visit boys during a ride. Maybe we could join in on HOG games, if allowed. Possibility of a Flag ceremony as the ROMP coincides with Flag Day, and ice cream runs! Ride up to Chatanika Lodge - nice ride with great road and lots to see.

Motion that Jim Scott get pictures of Legacy Run ride and place them on website.

Complaints about ALRA website from Department. Don's conversation with Dave Caswell was confrontational. Updated the website with new officers - otherwise it

remains with dated information. If Dave resigns, we can appoint Lisa Williamson to take it over as webmaster. She hopes for a smooth transition with all the details taken care of. Todd Hardwick motion to pay cost of website. It was seconded. Motion passed.

Thanks to Don and Richard for their work with Chapter 20 getting them back up and moving. Thanks to Jim Pisa for managing the meeting. Chapter 20 update - they have taken over Sunday breakfast, Friday steak night and hot dogs on Monday Night. They have over 20 members.

What does it take to start an Anchorage Chapter started? So far they have talked but no motivation. Need to find a few members of Anchorage Post that ride and motivate them to start a Chapter. Maybe invite a few Anchorage members that ride to ROMP or Byers Lake Memorial Day run. Would it affect insurance if they were not members of ALR? Suggestion that Todd should be chairman of advertising for the ALRA, and choosing a Post to have a BBQ to promote ALR membership. Poker Run to Post in and around Anchorage may also attract membership. ALR could be a membership tool for American Legion recruitment. An ad in the Arctic Warrior paper on base would be a good place to garner participation. With all Posts in and around Anchorage, it would be easy to organize a poker run. Schedule it in May or early June. Arrange for ALR visit during regular Post meetings?

Topic for Department Convention to standardize ALR membership cards.

Chapter and Post 35 challenge other Post they plan to donate \$5000 to Legacy Run. Get Post and others to donate!

Adjourn.

List of those Present

Don Ridl Lisa Williamson Bobby Dunno Darrel Williamson Richard Smith Jim Scott Lynda Travis Ron Travis Mo Burum Todd Hardwick James Francois Jim Petito Sharon Chambers Jim Pisa Alvin Diaz