

## ALR Convention Minutes

23 April, 2014, Meeting Started at 1814

Pledge, Prayer and 30 Seconds of silence for our POW/MIA's

Attendance: Don Ridl, Bobby Dunno, Lisa Williamson, Russ & Rebecca Waters, Dan Cole, James A Petito, Ronald & Linda Travis, Bob Myles, Todd Hardwick, Dave Casswell, Jim Pisa, Clare Sullivan

Bobby pointed out that copies of the 2013 Convention and Romp minutes were available on the table. Also available was copies of Bobby's Directors Report and registration forms for the upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> annual Ride for Respect scheduled for 7 June 2014.

Motion brought forward, seconded to approve the minutes from 2013 Convention, motion passed.

Treasurers Report, the ALRA has \$2,835.40 our account.

Bobby began discussion of old business:

The need to encourage all Chapters to participate in ALRA functions. Talked about letter to all ALR chapters in Alaska and personally delivered letter to Post 20 to discuss the subject.

Bobby updates the efforts to begin a Chapter in the Anchorage Area. Mentioning specifically the interest displayed by Eric Walters who is already a Rider, and Erik Dufford to start a Chapter at Post 28.

Lisa has created and is managing an excellent website! Bobby offered his opinion that the ALRA website looks much better than the Departments own. He also said he plans to mention it in his Directors Report.

Suggestions for a booth at the Dealers Bike show and the Get to Know Your Post fundraiser never panned out or were found to be unfeasible in the State of Alaska.

With no more old business Bobby began the discussion of New Business

2014 ROMP will be hosted by Post 5 in Seward, ROMP registration forms are uploaded on [alaskalegionriders.org](http://alaskalegionriders.org) and on the ALRA website.

There is a new ALR chapter at Post 16 Homer, Dan Cole is the Chapter Director and Bobby mentioned that he had a great time in Homer after being invited to do the installation.

A discussion as to the importance of each Chapter contributes to support the Legacy Run. Last year only four Chapters, 35, 5, 30 and 20 supported the Legacy Run and we can do better.

Bobby discussed his communications with John Moffitt our Western Regional Representative at the ALR National Advisory Committee. There is a Western Regional Romp to be held the weekend of the 7th of June in Montana with the likelihood that the 2015 Regional ROMP would be held in Arizona. He asked if the ALRA would want to host a Regional Romp. He also offered an alternative website to order ALR and American Legion T-shirts, Class B.com.

Bobby Dunno opened the floor to nominations, for ALRA officer's election

Director Bobby Dunno  
Assistant Director, Don Ridl to mentor Bobby  
Secretary, Rebecca Waters  
Treasurer, Marilyn Sutherland  
Champlain, Bob Myles  
Master at Arms Linda Travis  
Assistant MAA, Loren Estrada Sr.  
Membership Chair, Darrel Williamson  
Historian, Bobby Dunno  
WebMaster, Lisa Williamson

With the end of officer elections the floor was opened for good of the order and open discussion.

Bobby made the mistake to ask if we should have a amended by-law allowing members to add rockers to the ALR patch if they choose to do so. Very soon the conversation deteriorated into a discussion about the coalition patch which issue had been resolved at a previous convention.

Dave Caswell brought up the fact that 2015 will bring another 5 year anniversary for the ALRA at which time we will be required to rewrite the by-laws to incorporate all the amendments to the by-laws approved in that 5 year period

Adjourn made by James sec by everybody 2010 next meeting at the ROMP in Seward.