

Racers Under the Sun General

Meeting Minutes

Oct 7th, 2024

Call to Order - Scott Burnett

- Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.
- Blane opened in prayer.
- Read Psalms 119:1-6
- Scott read from RUTS newsletter, Feb. 1997 on the founding of the club (see attached for clipping).

Recording Secretary- Garrett Osterode

- July 2024 minutes read and approved. (June mtg not held due to race-Aug. & Sep. no mtg.).

Treasurer - Jody Scott

- 06/30/24 balance - \$9,016.26
- July/August/September inflows - \$300.00
- July/August/September outflows- \$3,941.40

Correspondence – Stacia/Tom:

- No new applications currently.

D37 Report – Art Whitney:

- Clubs can reduce race length due to daylight savings time change.
- Change Legends to 70+ for woman to stay in that class and Legends price reduced for Desert and GP.
- Ron Byrum still president and elected 8 stewards.
- Desert racing increasing by \$20 and \$10 bucks for H & H.

Apparel:

- Long Sleeve T's, Same T's like DIRT, windbreakers and standard sweatshirts on the way!

Ride Report:

- No rides last month.

Upcoming Rides:

- Nov. 1st thru 3rd -DIRT like ride Ridgecrest area.
- Oct. 18th thru 20th- Motolympics at Soggy Lake Bed.

Race Report:

- No races in the past three months.

Club Race:

- Oct 12th-Shamrocks Duel Euro
- Nov 2nd – Jackrabbits Sprint Enduro
- Nov 17th – 100's Hare and Hound

New/Old Business.

- At the November ride we can give out a raffle ticket at the hotdog spot to give away the raffle items from Darren.
- No thanksgiving ride officially planned
- On February 15th – 16th we will support Training wheels club at Teagle Wash.
- Membership renewal will start early in late October early November.
- Officer elections are coming up.

Meeting adjourned – 8:10 pm



HOW IT ALL STARTED

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WHAT IS OUR GOAL?

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HOW TO GET INVOLVED

RUTS is a non profit organization. We charge for membership however, (\$15 a year) to cover the newsletter printing and post expenses. The RUTS newsletter comes once a month and contains the details for monthly club ride and a map of how to get there. RUTS is by no means a substitute for your local church. We are merely an extension to your Christian family. We wish to see everyone actively participating in their local congregations and bettering their community through the safe and sober operation of their dirt bikes and leading a good moral life. We want to see people united for Christ and living victorious lives as born again Christians. If you do not know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, the way to salvation is printed below our statement of faith. Please see the back of this page for the membership application. May God richly Bless you.



The following was transcribed from the February 1997 RUTS newsletter.

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