

OLD FORT YORK SECTION, CVMG

Minutes of a Meeting held on 6 December 2017 at the Madison Pub.

In the Chair: Ray Halse, President.

In attendance: 17 members (of 101 listed as of 1 December).

Minutes compiled by Secretary Berry.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting. President Halse moved (seconded Percy Tait) that the minutes of the previous meeting, as prepared by Ray Boorman, be accepted. Passed, *nem con.*

2. New Members. New Member Bob Stephenson was present for his first monthly meeting. He has a BSA project lined up and is currently working on a BMW R100 teardown. President Halse welcomed him and expressed a wish to see 10 more new members. Members suggested that presentations or guest speakers or show and tell might attract new members and also the so-called ghost members on our list.

3. Report of the Minister of Finance. The Hon. Alexander Loizou once again reported that section assets were the healthiest they have ever been. Once the cash from Christmas party sales has been deposited to offset the dinner cost together with the \$700 subsidy, we shall be in the lowish four figures.

4. 2018 Supershow. Friday-Sunday 5-7 January 2018 at the International Centre. We have 10 bikes volunteered already and will be using a covered trailer to get them to the display. This will be our best showing in years.

5. Meeting Venue. Over the two years we have been at the Madison, the noise level has been rising. It is furthermore impossible to have a guest speaker or demonstration. The President and some members have been exploring possibilities for a better location. The Pauper's Pub a block east of Bathurst on Bloor (so, it has easy access and also park at the rear, bikes in front) has a private room available but the cost is \$100 per night unless we spend \$500. (*Secretary Berry notes that if we did not subsidize the Christmas dinner we could pay the \$100 rental for the 8 meetings.*)

6. Pat Gonsalves. Pat brought along his medal from the induction ceremony for the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame. We are proud to have Pat, the voice of Daytona, as our section-mate. The members heartily congratulated Pat on this award.

7. Lucas Push. The date is Saturday 17 February 2018. This year the Push will start at the Firkin on King, stumble to the Foggy Dew, then take a final sniff at the Dog's Bollocks (formerly the Gypsy Co-op). In the absence of a Push bike and Harvey Bruce, Harvey Bruce's Triumph Mountain Cub was volunteered as the object bike. T-shirts: our usual artistes being unavailable for design duty, President Halse's captive hockey T-shirt bloke is mocking up some designs.

8. Spring Ride. It's never too early to plan. A return to the Clansman in Haliburton was mooted, since there are so many good riding roads around there and because the Clansman has been very welcoming for the past two years.

9. New Business. Movie Nights at Moto Revere are no more; due to the success of that business there is no room to create seating. Bob Stephenson then suggested that there was a room available at his club, the Toronto Sailing and Canoe Club, which we might be able to use. (It's beside the Boulevard Club on Lakeshore, plenty of parking, there's a bar and we could order food in.) Pat Gonsalves suggested that the convenor of the recent Toronto Motorcycle Film Festival might be interested in showing some short films at one of the movie nights—he will explore this. (Two great ideas!)

A charity donation was proposed, and several members made suggestions for a worthy recipient. It was moved (President Ray Halse, seconded Massimo Tamburini), that a donation of \$100 be approved. Passed, *nem con*.

10. 50/50 Draw. A Royal Commission has been set to investigate why Stephanie Ramon won the 50/50 in May, then July, and now December.

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday 4 January at Madison Pub (unless we find a quiet room at the Pauper's Pub or elsewhere).

I was standing by the car waiting for my ride home when these words flashed upon my inner eye. . .

It was late last night the other day
I thought I'd go up and see Ray
So I went up and I saw Ray
There was only one thing Ray could say, was:
I don't want a pickle
Just want to ride on my motorcycle
And I don't want a tickle
'Cause I'd rather ride on my motorcycle
And I don't want to die
I just want to ride on my motorcycle

All in favour, say Aye. . .