

Rolling Thunder® Maryland Chapter 1 General Membership Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** 7:42 p.m.
 - a. Quorum: Yes
 - b. Number of attendees: 27
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Moment of Silence and Remembrance:** observed by all members and guests
4. **Mission Statement:** Read by Chapter President, David Lutzow
5. **Introduction of Guests/First Time Attendees** – Member Lowell Lamoreau introduced guest Raymond Vialpando
6. **Meeting Minutes** – Motion to accept previous meeting minutes by Dale Williams seconded by Mike Porche
7. **President's Report**
 - a. Dave talked about the July field trip with the Charlotte Hall Veterans which included the participation of nine veterans. Dave encouraged RT MD 1 chapter members to participate in these various monthly outings with the veterans.
 - b. RT MD 1 has been contacted by RT National that there is a discrepancy in the ticket sales for the bike raffle from Rolling Thunder XX and that our chapter must send proof of our sales and payments before any profit due to our chapter will be released.
8. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. Treasurer Dan Wilson gave an accounting of all deposits and expenses, noted the \$633.00 check from RT VA3 from the Richmond Races, and reported the present balance. Dan informed the chapter that he had purchased supplies for the upcoming poker run on August 18, 2007.
9. **Chairman of the Board**
 - a. Joe will meet any chapter members (9) already signed up for the VA State Picnic on Saturday, August 11th at the truck stop just before the Harry Nice Bridge on Southbound Rt. 301. Departure will be prompt at 8:30 a.m. Our group will then head to Ladysmith, VA to meet a group from RT VA3 at 9:00 a.m. From there we will all ride together to the picnic being catered by RT VA5 at the J. Thompson Wyatt American Legion in Petersburg, VA.
10. **Old Business**
 - a. Volunteers are needed for the two September USO Stuffing Parties on the 8th and the 29th. Please sign-up as soon as possible to make our list available in time for command to grant access to the base. There will be scheduled group rides to each.
 - b. Richmond Races concession volunteers needed for September 7 & 8. Please sign up to help raise funds for our chapter.
 - c. September meeting date/time to be voted on by membership in lieu of scheduling conflicts with the regular date/time. Joe then Dave suggested using alternate default date/time when one is unavailable. In other words, if scheduled meeting date is Thursday and Thursday presents a scheduling conflict, the alternate default date is Saturday and vice versa. Motion to accept default dates when scheduling conflicts occur with regular meeting date – made by Mel, seconded by Robin. Next meeting date is Thursday September 13, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at Mexico Restaurant.

11. Secretary's (Activities) Report:

Chapter Poker Run scheduled for August 18th – Sue Bearns reported that 25 chapter members have signed up to help. She thanked them and instructed all volunteers who haven't already given an RSVP to let her know if they will be attending the pre-poker run breakfast meeting at her house on August 12th directly after the Wall Washing in D.C. that morning. Those volunteers going downtown to the Wall will ride as a group to her house in Huntingtown. Other volunteers should meet at Sue's house by 9:00 a.m. Bring an appetite and any questions about the poker run. Sue has ordered two 3 x 10 custom vinyl banners with our chapter logo, the POW/MIA emblem, and "Rolling Thunder Maryland Chapter 1" to be completed next week before the poker run. Cost is ### per banner. The event insurance fee has been paid and a copy of the policy will be faxed to us before our event. Sue recognized and thanked Robin Lutzow for all the assistance she has provided copying the event flyers for advertising and Murray Hall for submitting our poker run information to various motorcycle publications. Dave shared that Anna Gibbs had volunteered to request advertising of our event from the DC 101 radio station, "Elliot in the Morning" show. Sue asked for more door prizes. For all door prizes donated, please keep a record (and give info to Dave Lutzow) of the person donating so we can officially thank them.

12. New Business:

a. Wall Washing scheduled for Sept 9th may have to be postponed because of the Freedom Walk (sign-up online).

b. Charlotte Hall Veterans Choice Bike Show on September 22 – We need to find trophies and Dave needs to contact the HOG Chapters for possible participation. Murray suggested a trophy shop in Waldorf near the Sherwin Williams Paint store. Sue will create the event flyer.

c. U.S. Military Vets are sponsoring a poker run on August 11th with all proceeds to be donated to Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

d. Members Jay Savage, Ron Harris, and Robert Dunlap have earned their chapter boot patches. Also, this is Robin's 90th day, so she has also earned her boot patch!

13. Comments for the Good of the Chapter

a. Dave reported that Moo (HDW employee) had a stroke and is recovering at home. His wife Peggy also recently underwent surgery. Chapter member Buddy Cooper was in accident on his bike. He was injured, but is doing well.

b. Dave Kochubka and Mike Porche each made \$25 donations for the purchase of HD gift certificates to be used as door prizes at our poker run. Murray Hall collected the donations and will use this money to purchase door prizes for the poker run.

c. Mike Witt offered to help track down website password.

d. Sue – August 14th is the funeral at Arlington Cemetery for the 5 servicemen recovered from Vietnam. We need to coordinate a group ride to support the families and honor the soldiers.

e. Sue – September 15th is POW/MIA Awareness Day, Run to the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford VA.

f. Sue reminded everyone that November 7-10 is the 25th Anniversary of The Wall. Only done 4 times previously, all of the names on The Wall will be read starting on Nov. 7. Dave will resend links to apply. Two members interested. Sue has applied for the Friday 3-8 p.m. time slot.

14. Adjournment: 8:41 p.m.

Next meeting will be September 13th, Thursday, Mexico Restaurant at 7:30 p.m.