

COMBAT VETERANS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION©
of Vermont, Inc.
Chapter 26-1
Meeting Agenda for 05/23/2021
At Mutuo Club in Barre, VT
In-person and Zoom Meeting

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: SAA

Opening Prayer: Slash gave the opening prayer

Attendance: Bear, Spirit, OMEN, Gambler, Sandman, Ltl Harley, Wizzard, Woodchuck, Slash, Intimidator, Hoss, Nimrod, Krieger, Cochise, Pyro, Wardawg, Breeze (Zoom), Preacher (Zoom)

Welcome from Chapter Commander:

- **Welcome any and all visitors.**

Report of Officers: (Chapter Executive Board)

Chapter Commander:

- **Ken “Krieger” Troumbley was patched in – still need to patch in Jeffrey “Wardawg” Warden – Supporter Kimball Daigneault was discharged.** Patched in Wardawg today.
- **BLCP voting** some discussion – see voting info in State Rep section
- **Champlain Valley Fair – Omen is heading it up, did we want to form a committee?** Omen is POC for the fair, which is from 8/27 to 9/1. There will be a shift sign-up sheet on the website. Please get donations from businesses large and small in your area! Discussion on doing a mass mailing to past donors – Omen will look into it.
- **9th Annual Veterans Summit is scheduled for Monday, June 14th at the Veterans Park on Northern Vermont Universities Lyndon Campus. ODAAT will be there, anyone else?** Hoss, Omen, and Slash are definitely going.
- **Our Chapter completed the work on a new deck and ramp for one of our full members - \$1691.83**
- **Under no circumstances is anyone to jump the COC and contact our attorney directly – anyone caught doing so will face disciplinary action** a member of another chapter was put out due to jumping the Chain of Command.
- **Todd Gratton Zoom call – club partnership for flag sales?**
- **Veterans Memorial Waterfall Ride is scheduled for Saturday, June 26th, 8am** this is a 26-2 Sanctioned Event. Rumor has it that a group of 60 riders is joining this ride, to complete requirements for the LRRP (Long Range Rider Platoon) patch

- **Ryan Grady Memorial Ride with 5-5** We voted unanimously to make a \$300.00 donation.
- **We are riding! Check the website for current rides and updates. Gambler updates it as often as needed. Contact your CEB if you want more info.**

XO: Where are we with our next raffle? Sandman is still working on this.

Secretary report:

- **Vote to accept past month's minutes:** unanimously accepted
- **Need to send copies of our State Certificate of Incorporation and a copy of our Federal Identification Number to the NSEC – include SR in this email when sent**
- **Send copy of our IRS Tax-Exempt Determination Letter to the SR**
- **ID Cards for new members – also need to collect monies for any new patches**
- **We have two new applications to be sent in for Supporter Members** we will need a sponsor for each of these members – see me if interested

Treasurer's Report:

- **Monthly Report/Vote on past month's report:** accepted unanimously
- **Fund raiser ideas, if applicable:** n/a this month
- White Wolf's new job has him working weekends, so he might not be able to make it to chapter meetings, going forward. He's considering stepping down as Chapter Treasurer. Please give some thought to either taking it over or if you know of someone who might want to take it over. Contact Bear with any thoughts on the matter.

SAA:

- **Sign-in sheets; Must be legible**
- **CVE – Insurance has been paid on the booth – follow up call made?** OMEN's working on it and can use some help. If you're interested in being on a committee to handle matters relating to the Champlain Valley Expo this year, please see OMEN. This is our biggest fundraiser and it's definitely more than a one-person job!

PR:

Webmaster website update, if applicable: Rides have been put onto our site – how is that working for members? Ride info is updated whenever new input is received. The Legion Riders are having a run for Les Howe's funeral on 6/21 at 13:00 hours in Randolph, riding up from Rutland.

Road Captain: Vote on nomination for second Road Captain – Woodchuck

Woodchuck was voted in as our second Road Captain unanimously today. Congratulations and thank you, Woodchuck!

Old Business: End of Year BBQ This will be on 12 September at Sandman's house. We'll have a pistol raffle after our chapter meeting for that month, and then BBQ. Last time was a blast, even though I didn't win the pistol...

New Business: Vet assistance request – pulley repair and new flag – schedule a time and request volunteers to assist A Vietnam Veteran's flagpole and flag are in sorry shape. Bear, Dman, Pyro, Cochise, and Spirit said they would go there to fix it. Thanks, guys! That's the spirit of the CVMA, right there!

Tabled Items: There were no tabled items today.

ST Rep: Intimidator said he was holding off until time for voting came up.

Discussion: Open to Membership:

-Short discussion about creating a 9/11 ride: we will look into it, starting with finding out what's already been planned. More on this next month.

-A member had asked Bear to pose a question to Intimidator about 201 files: is there a "secret hidden file" in everyone's 201 file, to which the member has no access? Kurt's response: Yes. It's no secret and has been there for a long time. It is a confidential area with information usually connected with disciplinary actions. Access is limited to maintain each member's confidentiality, to avoid bad reputations or bad assumptions about a member's character by future CEBs. A few members expressed discontent with this, saying that each member should have complete access to all parts of their 201 file, in case something is put into the secret file that the member would want to contest with the filer. Kurt invited people to submit a BLCP to make the change, if that is the desire action.

-There are two open rooms at Regionals available – people have had to back out. This info will be on the website.

-The subject of doing roadside collection events, where people put up cones and stand in the middle of the road with donation jars and ask passers-by to donate. Kurt encouraged folks to apply with the specific town or city.

-Coffee Break fundraiser is a go. We will be at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Rest Stop on 89N on Columbus Day weekend. All members are encouraged to participate and bring baked goods. These will be on sale for donations from visitors to the rest area, and there will be informational pamphlets available, as well as several knowledgeable members of the CVMA. (hint, hint...)

Announcements: Open to membership:

Closing Prayer: Slash gave the closing prayer at 11:10.

Adjournment: CC

Voting: Voting on BLCPs occurred at 11:15 with 13 members voting, using the swipe system. It went very well. Intimidator made his comments afterward.