

The 4 Winds Rally was another financial success. Our attendance was over 200 even with rain on and off during Friday and Saturday. We had a real rain and windstorm before the Saturday banquet. Vince Giannetti and the rally team had a very full program for our "Back to Basics" rally.

Here's a list of the members who helped make the rally a success:

Rally Committee Chairperson & MC	Vince Giannetti
Co-Co chairs	John & Marge Humphrey
Pre- Registration	Marge Humphrey
On-Site Registration	Nancy & Sean Barrett
T-Shirts	Diane & Tim Pears
Group Ride Leaders	Ed Syphan, Glenn Kidd, Jay Singh
Field Games	William & Justin Crookston
Bike Show	Mark Loesch
Clean & Tidy (Scouts)	Linda Loesch
Coffee	Leo Stanton Jeff & Jacob Harlich
Donuts	Joann Barr
Cookies (Dee Thomas)	Maggie Weaver
Music	Dennis McKinnon
Presentations:	Mike Kuenning, Bruce Conaway, Glenn Kidd, Bob Monheim & Kelly Johns (Boys Scouts)
Audio/Video help	Jacob Harlich
Other Volunteers	Jack Bramkamp and Joyce Elk, Bob Monheim, Kelly Johns
Tear Down	Leo Stanton, Boy Scouts
Literature	Diane Pears
Banquet counters	Adrian Marini, Holly Marchek & Joann Barr

John Hetzel is recovering very well after he received a recent liver transplant at UPMC by Roberto Lopez. John and Mary rode to Leo's meeting. They have both contributed to the club as Corresponding Secretary and Banquet Chair.

Speaking of contributing to the club, I have been pleased to contribute as Treasurer and President for the last 5 years. I feel very good about the progress we have made with the club. The website is excellent, the communications with members is unprecedented. Our membership is over 100 now.

Leo's meeting is the time we nominate new officers. The open positions are President, Vice-President and Treasurer. Adrian Marini has accepted the nomination for Vice-President.

I look forward to see all of you at the October meeting at our house in Valencia. The email meeting notice will give all the particulars.

If anyone has a problem with email or access to the forum or membership areas, please let us know. Joann takes care of the member login access. The website and forum provides all the latest information on events and meeting locations. Thanks to John and Mary Hetzel, Diane Pears and Joann Barr for all their good work keeping our club informed on what's happening in a timely manner.



Four Winds BMW Riders September 16, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Location: Leo Stanton's Home, Garage and Motorcycle Emporium
Board in Attendance: John & Marge Humphrey, John & Mary Hetzel, Vince Giannetti, Joann Barr, Glenn Kidd, Mark and Linda Loesch

The meeting was called to order by President John Humphrey at 1:40 pm with 21 people in attendance. Leo mentions that this was the 41st 4 Winds meeting at his home.

4 Winds 2017 Rally: John reported that the Rally was a financial success. Total attendance was 206, with 95 pre-registering. Interestingly, there were 70 first time attendees. The scaled back Tee shirt sales were successful and sold out. We also sold out of the remaining club ball caps and left over mugs from last year's rally.

John emphasized that although only two people signed up in advance to help out at the rally, a sizeable number of members pitched in at the Rally. With special recognitions and thanks go to:

Vince Giannetti Rally Chairman
Marge Humphrey for Pre-Registration

Nancy Barrett for registration
Tim & Diane Pears for Tee Shirt Design, Production and Sales
Ed Syphan & Glenn Kidd for the Touring Rides
Jay Singh for the GS Ride
Lynda Loesch for the Boy Scout coordination
Joanna Barr for the Sunday Donuts
Leo Stanton for Coffee and Teardown
Jacob Harlich for Coffee and AV support
Mark Loesch for the Bike Expo
Maggie Weaver for the Dinner Cookies
William and Justin Crookston for the Field Events
Joyce Elk, Jack Bramkamp and **Kelly Johns** for Banquet, Sales & Registration
Our **New Bethlehem Boy Scout Troop** for Security, Clean-up and 50/50 Sales
Our Presenters/entertainment

Mike Kuenning, BMW of Pittsburgh
Bruce Conaway
Glenn Kidd's motorcycle movies

A hearty **THANK YOU** goes to all our contributors. We could not have delivered a successful rally without you. Thank you.

Important Aside: It was noted that several members had booked rooms at the local Brick House Bed and Breakfast, but then “No Showed” without notification. John reminded the membership that it is important to the club's reputation that we respect the businesses in Rally communities.

Nominations for 2018 Officers

John reported that several officers and Board Members agreed to continue. They were:

John & Mary Hetzel: Corresponding Secretary
Glenn Kidd: Recording Secretary
Jeff Harlich: Director at Large
Mark Loesch: Director at Large

John further reported that he had not found members willing to accept the Offices of:
President
~~Vice-President~~
Treasurer

Nominations from the floor were proposed as follows:

President: Ed Syphan
Vice-President; Adrian Marini
Adrian Marini has accepted the nomination for Vice-President.

John advised he would notify these nominees of the wonderful support of their fellow members for these prestigious and honorable responsibilities.

Next meeting will be held at John and Marge Humphrey's home in Mars, PA.

50/50 Winner: Leo Stanton

September 23: Open House, BMW of Pittsburgh

October Meeting: John & Marge Humphrey's home, Valencia, PA

Submitted by Recording Secretary,
Glenn Kidd