

Minutes - Four Winds General Meeting
Saturday, February 19, 2022
Sunny Jim's Tavern, Emsworth PA

Ed Tatters, Treasurer, *presiding*

Ed called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM, welcoming 22 other members and guests. No riders today. The president and vice-president were not able to attend today due to conflicts, and Ed volunteered to run the meeting.

The first item of business was an update for this year's annual Four Winds banquet. Due to the circumstances of Covid-19 and staffing concerns at the venue, the Board elected to postpone the banquet from the original February date to March 26, 2022. This was the first date available for us. The event will be held at the Waterhole Restaurant / Hartmann's in Harmony PA in the private banquet room. There is a separate entrance to the area. The club's website will be updated to provide additional details, directions to the venue and a link for members to register. The banquet cost will be \$35 for members current with their dues and \$45 for others. Ed asked that all present tend to their dues for 2022 and assure themselves of the lower cost for the banquet. Dues may be paid by cash, check or credit-card. Card payments are to be made through the club website (<http://www.4windsbmw.org/online-membership-form>). You do not have to have a Paypal account to complete a credit-card payment. A sit-down dinner is planned this year for food safety considerations, and there will be three entrées available to select prior to the event. For planning purposes, early registration will be appreciated, and the cut-off date for reservations will be March 20. Suggestions are invited as to speakers or other entertainment; contact Ed or another Board member with ideas.

The next item of business was the Treasurer's report. Ed advised the club's checking account is substantially unchanged with a balance of roughly \$14,000.

Ed asked if there were any new members or first-time guests in attendance. Guest Patrick Martin and new member Keith Glabb were introduced. New member Pete Georgiadas was attending his first monthly meeting and reported that that he rides both an RT and an RS. He is interested in joining other enthusiasts in the club for rides.

Tom Fury reported the Pittsburgh Ton-Up Club would once again be organizing the Vintage Motorbike Show at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix. The motorcycle portion of the week-long Grand Prix festivities is scheduled for July 23 and 24 in Schenley Park. Additional details and contact information are available at <https://www.pvgrp.org/car-shows/motorbikes/>. Tom noted that the week-end is the same as this year's AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days at Mid-Ohio. Tom also reported that "FuryFest" will again convene at his place in the Foxburg area on the week-end of July 8th through the 10th. The occasion provides for good riding, camping and refreshments, and all motorcycle enthusiasts are welcome. Details will be forthcoming as the dates get closer.

Discussion turned to the Annual Four Winds Rally scheduled for August 19-21, 2022. Ed reported plans are to return to Red Bank Municipal Park, New Bethlehem PA, with a format similar to those in recent years, including group rides, a Saturday dinner and door prizes. The club will be promoting the event in the MOA and RA publications, and members are encouraged to spread the word in an effort to build a strong turn-out. Suggestions are invited as to a possible speaker; please contact a Board member with ideas.

Hearing no further business, the meeting concluded at 1:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Donley, Recording Secretary