

White Plate Flat Trackers

According to Hoel 2009

Merry Christmas

When the Rally winds down Sturgis is almost a ghost town. This year the official traffic count by the DOT was officially down 2.8%...BUT, those that were here remember we had wind, rain & hail that definitely affected traffic. My best guess is we had about the same as 2008 which was 386,490 vehicles.

Temporary vender Sales Tax was UP \$100,778

for a total of \$862,107 in Northern Hills area. Southern Hills district increased also.

We enjoyed good racing. Side note the Cycle News is reporting HD will cut their number of sponsored riders to one for 2010. Hopefully dealer sponsors will keep other

riders in the hunt. Also 2010 will see how the new owners of the AMA racing business will change the face of racing nationwide. Too early to confirm Sturgis 2010 race schedule but we will make sure we have it for you in the June Newsletter. 2010 Rally date is from August 9 - 15 so you can mark your calendar. It will be the 70th.

I sent a letter to the Rapid City Journal. Like me, most editorial opinion rejected the idea of open containers on the streets promoting a Woodstock atmosphere.» [cont below]

«The WPFT breakfast missed a few of you regulars and we are hoping you can plan now to join us next year! There will be plenty to enjoy & old friends to visit with.



Minutes August 6, 2009

No notable problems on Main Street, and no bikers lost in Sturgis or Meade County. Those rally related for the 10 days were 5.

Helen Miller will be resigning as Treasurer. Kari has agreed to take over ASAP & then we can deal with nominations, election, and confirmation of a new Treasurer in August.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !

Jack Hoel

The meeting called to order by President Lee Parker held at Boulder Canyon Convention Center. Minutes from the 2008 meeting were read by Kari Kannenberg. Helen Miller gave the Treasurer report. Motion was made by Jack Hoel and 2nd by Vern Goodwin to accept reports as read.

Called for old business, none reported. Comments made by John, who rode with Bill Waltemier for the past 10 yrs. Bill has fallen and could not make the trip. Also noted by Lee Parker that we have lost Ed McCommish. Jack reported Bobby Hill is doing well,

but doesn't travel. Bill Tuman lost his wife and Al Burke has had another sugery. Denny Kannenberg reported Al is recovering well. Dick Klamfoth sent a note greeting everyone at the meeting.

Jack reported on upkeep done at the monument.. New chain, and polish for the plaques. Wooden frame to be replaced by plastic frames. Jack presented a bill for \$124.35 for the letters, paint, chain, light bulbs, timer and fuses. A motion made by Denny Kannenberg, 2nd by Jim Adams to pay Jack for these items. New Business Nomination by Kari Kannenberg to replace Davey Durelle retiring from board with Scottie Deubler. Nomination was made by Jack Hoel to replace Vern Goodwin retiring from board with George Holter. Both nominations were carried by a yes vote. Lee thanked Helen Miller, Vern Goodwin, George Holter, & Kari Kannenberg for contributions to Newsletter.

Dick Wyatt has recorded our meetings for the past few years on DVD. He has generously presented us with copies for our records. Thank you Mr. Wyatt. Jack updated on Sturgis events. The National Flat Track at Rapid Speedway on Tuesday night was rained out after the heat races. The AMA called it a completed race, and gave points and payout according to heat race times.

Next year 2010 being the 70th Rally, it was suggested we do something special to commemorate WPFT. It will also mark the 30th year of WPFT. Neil Hultman told us about a local arts group doing a 20ft monument of Pearl & Pappy Hoel. A motion was made, and 2nd to make a donation of \$500.00 to the fund. Vote by show of hands was passed.. Motion to adjourn was made and 2nd. 10:30AM Submitted by secretary Kari Kannenberg

We still have T-shirts for sale.



2009 Breakfast & Meeting
Greetings to ALL

<http://www.wpfta.com/> Remember to check the White Plate Flat Track web site once in awhile. Become a blogger or post old race stories. Ken James manages the site and does a 1st class job. I see the 'Complete Grand National Championship' book has an ad on the site. Hope Santa finds one in his bag for George Holter, I hate to see him cry. LOL

Another good site is

<http://www.indianwreckingcrew.com/> The story of the Indian Factory riders in the 50's. Part one is up, and part two will be narrated by Jay Leno.

<http://winfield.50megs.com/Cowley/cycle.htm> This site zeros in on Winfield, Ks. Race track. Very interesting, nicely done.

The Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame is a popular attraction year around. Winter Hours are 10am to 4pm - 7 days a week. Summer hours 9-5 all except Sunday 10-5. Currently the Hall of Fame is accepting nominations for 2010 inductees. Go to www.sturgismuseum.com/hall-of-fame/ to find the form & place your nomination. Deadline January 11th, 2010.

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a Christmas wish

