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March 21st – Monthly VIR Meeting at the “Dog House” 6:00 pm

For more non-VIR events, please check out the Springfield Miler’s newsletter at
<http://www.springfieldmilers.com/milerNL0312.pdf>



PRESIDENT’S PRATTLE

George Tinkham – President’s Prattle



Did I blink?

What happened to winter? Maybe the better question is, “What winter?” Our next club meeting, on March 21st, will be in spring. As I write this, the daytime temperatures have been in the 60s several times this year, and we have seen numerous motorcycles on the road. Clearly – as Dylan said, “The times, they are a changin’.”

If you do not have your winter projects done, you still may have a bit of time to order that part or specialty tool you need. Come on, it won’t take much time to check valve clearances and to do a pre-season tune-up. By the time you read this, it may already be time to “kick the tires and light the fires”; so, do not put anything off. Do it now.

Remember, if you do not have the time or tools or skill to finish a project, Vintage Iron Riders has several competent mechanics as members who can give you a hand. If you forget a name or number, just look at the advertisements on your calendar. That is what I have done.

On a different topic: this month’s meeting will be a tad different. We start at 6 PM, instead of 7 o’clock. Also, we meet in the comedy club room instead of the banquet room. After our meal and a *short* business meeting,

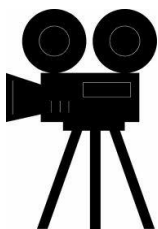
we fire up the projector and watch one of the best motorcycle movies of all times: “On Any Sunday.” Goog and Tammi will bring their popcorn popper; so, we should have a good night at the movies.

It is a new year and a new riding / show season. The air is fresh and the days are bright. This season is what we have been waiting for since last fall. Mark Morrison has a list of events that should have something that will appeal to just about every one of us. Yes, if Vintage Iron Riders does not have a good time this year, we are just not trying hard enough.

ACTIVITIES

Mar 17 **Indy Super cross, Indianapolis, IN**
Apr 22 **ABATE Show and Swap Meet @ PCCC, Springfield, IL**
May 19 **VIR annual picnic**

Mark Morrison is working on posting activities on the VIR website. If you have any activities that you would like to see the club involved in or think members might be interested in, please let Mark know.



Film Night



The March regular meeting should be a GREAT evening of enjoying popcorn, a motorcycle movie, and your favorite libation. The film, “On Any Sunday” will be shown after a brief meeting. Goog and Tammy Underfanger are bringing their popcorn machine for complimentary corn. This would make a great family event for those wives, kids or grandkids, so feel free to bring guests. THE REGULAR MEETING WILL BE CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 PM so that we can get right to the film.

Club Picnic

Saturday, May 19 will be our annual picnic and ride at a new location. Member Tommy Knox has made his home on Lake Springfield available where he will prepare succulent, slow cooked pulled pork. If you’re coming by car, consider bringing a folding chair and a side dish. The club will be providing the meat and drinks. Plans are being made for a ride around Lake Springfield and the Rochester area.

The picnic is also an opportunity to invite prospective members. So, if you know someone who is interested in joining our club, this is a great opportunity to show them biker camaraderie.

A.B.A.T.E. Swap Meet

The Lincoln Land Chapter will host a swap meet at Prairie Capitol Convention Center on April 22.

“Vintage Visdom”

What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover? A rash of good luck.

~Author Unknown

Minutes of Meeting

**Vintage Iron Riders
Dog House/Break Time
February 15, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm. Pledge of Allegiance recited and cell phones silenced. Motion made and seconded to approve minutes of January meeting.

Treasurer's Report: \$2,540.65 in general fund, \$1,685 in the Jeff White Memorial Fund for a total of \$4,225.65.

It was mentioned that picnic will be at Tommy and Tracy Knox's with a ride around lake area roads.

George Tinkham mentioned activities in proxy for Mark Morrison:

- ABATE swap meet
- Havana Bike Show – Aug. 14, 2012
- Hooters – being checked on for possible rally or bike night
- Barber Races are coming up
- Dave Reischauer mentioned the Virden Car and Bike show in June

Façade/Mural/Banner: Director of IMDA likes the idea very much. Dave Reischauer suggested keeping costs as low as possible.

Discussed and approved motion to have next monthly meeting be a film night. Vote taken for choice of film and “On Any Sunday” was selected for movie night. Meeting will begin at 6pm at the Dog House.

New Business: Club recognized Dan Karkut, brother of Chris, who was visiting. LeRoy Solomon recommended Steve Kren for membership.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05pm. 50/50 raffle won by Jim Woolery for \$57.00.

Respectfully Submitted, Tommy Knox

April 2012

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15	16	17	18 Monthly Mtg. 7:00 pm	19	20	21
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