



# MOTOR CITY CUSHMAN CLUB

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DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF CUSHMAN MOTOR SCOOTERS

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**Meeting Minutes**

President Paul Jones called the Meeting to order on April 19, 2018 at 12:30 P.M. at Anita's Riverfront Grille in Marine City, hosted by Mitch and Lynda Mitchell. Paul thanked Mitch and Lynda for hosting and everyone for attending today's meeting.

Paul introduced new member, Mike Johnson, who is from East Lansing, Mike owns a 1959 Cushman Eagle.

A motion was made by Al Copp to accept the February/March minutes as published in the newsletter, second by Mike Johnson. Motion passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Colleen Niefert gave the Treasurer's report. The ending balance was \$695.09. Donna Renton made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Mike Niefert seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority show of hands.

### **Old Business**

New hats are in and are available for \$15.00 each. They are available in red, navy, dark green, also, 2 tone red bill, and 2 tone light green. If anyone is interested in a hat, please contact Colleen Niefert at 734-676-1522.

Keith Stieber reported on the September 23 thru 29 rides in Ohio. Keith is going down to Ohio in May to the area where this ride will be taking place. He will be checking out hotels/motels in the area and will book a block of rooms for this event. Look for more information to come in future Newsletters.

### **New Business**

Tim Brandt announced that his event will be changed to Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Everyone attending will meet at Tim and Diane Brandt's house. There will be an eblast about this event soon.

Paul asked where everyone would like ride to in August. He suggested The Pickle Factory, or Spangler Candy Factory. A date will be assigned later.

A letter with a suggestion to improve group riding and how to keep riders from losing track of the main group was discussed and is published in this newsletter.

A motion was made by Keith Stieber to accept this suggestion and was seconded by Mitch Mitchell. The motion passed with a majority show of hands.

### **50/50**

Diane Jones won \$31.00. Congratulations Diane!

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Frankie Hayes at 12:47 P.M. and was seconded by Curtis Blowers. The motion passed with a majority show of hands.

## **Motor City Cushman Club: 2018 - 2019 Schedule of Events**

*Listed below is the approved schedule for this year as voted on at the Planning Meeting. Any additions or changes to the schedule can be submitted to the **president** or proposed at a club meeting. If attending an event, please RSVP to the Host as soon as possible to make their job easier.*

### **May 16 - 19, Mid-Ohio Classic Scooter Show, Plain City**

Hosted by:

Place: 380 N. Chillicothe St, OH 43064-1061

R.S.V.P.

**May 20, Sunday: *Potluck Lunch, Meeting and Spring Ride***

Hosted by: Tim and Diane Brandt  
Place: 2636 Forest Mead Dr, Sterling Hts., MI 48314  
Time: 12 noon  
Event: Potluck, ride to Lake Orion and back  
R.S.V.P. 586-254-1278 or 586-206-6789

**June 4 - 8, *C.C.O.A. National Meet***

Place: Sturgis, South Dakota  
Meeting will take place at the National with the date, time, and place to be determined.

**June 24, Sunday: *Breakfast, Meeting and Ride***

Hosted by: Chip and Janie Weyeneth  
Place: Sandusky Airport, **Sandusky, Michigan**  
Time: 7:00 A.M.  
R.S.V.P. Chip 810-648-3396 or Cell 810-334-2831  
Notes: You can come up on Saturday. There are Motels available in town  
Please have your scooters fully gassed and ready to ride. Meet at the Sandusky Airport (two miles north of Sandusky) at 7:00 A.M. for breakfast in the big hanger, which is put on by the Sandusky Flying Club. The ride will start promptly at 9:00 A.M., we will stop for lunch. The ride will continue on and finish back at the airport. After the ride, there will be a nice sit down dinner at a local restaurant for those who are interested. There is rustic camping available at the Airport. The preferred hotel is Demott's Westpark Inn, 440 W. Sanilac Rd., Sandusky, MI 48471 Ph: 810-648-4300. Remember: **Sandusky, Michigan.**

**July 12th, Thursday - Place and time to be determined**

Hosted By: Keith and Karin Stieber  
Place:  
Time:  
R.S.V.P. 586-876-6555

**July 26 - 30, Wednesday thru Monday - *Vintage Bike Meet – Portland, Indiana***

Meeting for July will take place in Portland  
Meeting date, time and place to be determined

**August – Date and time to be determined**

Hosted by: Don and Donna Renton  
Place: Bellville Area, MI  
Time:  
R.S.V.P. 734-697-0994

**August – Date and time to be determined**

Hosted by: Al Copp  
Place: Stahls Automotive Museum  
56516 N Bay Dr.  
Baltimore, MI 48051  
Time:  
R.S.V.P. 586-945-0177

## **September 12, Sunday – Place and time to be determined**

Hosted by: Mike and Colleen Niefert

Place:

Time:

R.S.V.P. Mike 734-771-0068 Colleen 734-306-1051

## **September 23 – 29 - *Fall Rides and Camping***

Hosted by: Paul Jones & Curtis Blowers

Place: Timber Crest Camp and RV Park  
5552 State Route 515 Millersburg, OH (<http://timbercrestrvpark.com/>).

Time: Sunday thru Sunday

R.S.V.P Paul 313-605-3831 Curtis 517-677-3693

### Notes:

The rates are determined by the length of stay, so come and stay as long or as short as you want.

The park is nestled in a quiet area surrounded by trees right in Holmes County, Ohio. They offer a spot for you to camp in a pleasant, peaceful place only minutes from local attractions and Hotels/Motels for those not wanting to camp.

Rides will be planned every day with different hosts. Some rides may require a scooter to be capable of speeds around 45 if the road requires it. We will try to accommodate all riders when possible.

A ride to Lehman's hardware (<https://www.lehmans.com>) and a meal stop at the Town and Country Diner (<http://www.kidrontownandcountry.com/restaurant.php>) in Kidron, OH is planned. The wife's not riding, but will join us at the diner.

Don Renton will be hosting some rides.

Those not riding will have lots of shopping and tourist attractions available to them all week.

We will be planning some dinners at restaurants and some pot luck meals at the campground for anyone wishing to partake.

Whether you bring an RV or a tent or both, they have a spot for you. The club has a block of full hookup sites reserved for us so please let them know you are with the Motor City Cushman Club and the reservations are attached to Paul Jones' name.

They have full hook-up as well as electric only sites. Each site is accompanied by a picnic table and fire ring. Located by the office, the Club House has a free Wi-Fi Hotspot. Check your email, browse, and get the latest weather for excursion planning.

Amenities ▪ shower house ▪ laundry room ▪ free wifi ▪ dump station ▪ pet friendly  
▪ full hook-up - water, sewer, electric ▪ pull-through ▪ 30/50 amp

More info 330.893.2720 5552 OH-515, Millersburg, OH 44654

**October 3, Wednesday: *Ride and Lunch***

Hosted by: Vito Lumetta

Place: Meet on the parking lot at Blossom Heath Road, 1 or 2 blocks south of 10 mile

Time:

R.S.V.P. 586-286-7139

**October – Date, place and time to be determined**

Hosted By: Keith and Karin Stieber

Place:

Time:

R.S.V.P. 586-876-6555

**November 14, Wednesday - *Thanksgiving Dinner and Meeting***

Hosted by: Mike and Colleen Niefert

Place: Big Bear Lodge, 25253 Telegraph Rd, Brownstown Twp. MI 48134

Time: 2:00 P.M.

R.S.V.P. Before November 9th 734-783-4927 or 734-502-3363

**December - *Christmas Dinner and Meeting - Volunteer needed***

Hosted by:

Place:

Time:

R.S.V.P.

**January - *Pizza Party and Planning Meeting – Date to be determined***

Hosted by: Tim and Diane Brandt

Place: 2636 Forest Mead Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48314

Time: 1:00 P.M.

R.S.V.P. 586-254-1278,

Bring your calendars, ideas and be ready to volunteer to host a ride or event for the coming year.

**Birthdays:**

Don Weyeneth – May 1

John Sams – May 22

Jeff Devito – May 25

June Raimond- June 10

David Hayes – June 19

Fred Raimond – June 22

Don Frasure – June 25

Bruce Althouse – June 30

**Club Website by Paul Jones:** [www.MotorCityCushman.com](http://www.MotorCityCushman.com)

**Letter from the President:**

**Re: Group Riding**

The club voted at the last meeting to institute a new way of conducting our club rides for the upcoming season.

When participating with other Scooter Clubs many of them have been using this method for years and it works very well. It is a simple idea but needs 100% cooperation for it to work

On every ride you have a leader who knows the route and you follow them. When you come to a turn and if the people behind you are not there one person must pull over and wait for the others to catch up. Then you continue on.

This concept works very well assuring that nobody will get lost. What this means is you must be aware and responsible for the person behind you at every turn so please check your mirrors and confirm someone is behind you before you make the turn and continue on. It also allows for when traffic and speeds fragment the group which has led to some getting lost or making wrong turns in the past.

The ride leader will do his best, but when implementing this, it can make our rides safer through eliminating the sometimes difficult effort to maintain a group.

Now all this may sound a bit confusing but it is very simple actually as long as you accept that you are responsible for the person behind you when you come to a turn in the route.

This will only work if we have a 100% commitment I will gladly answer any questions or listen to any comments and input on this matter at [paulrjones@usa.net](mailto:paulrjones@usa.net) or 313-605-3831

Respectfully Submitted by;

Paul R. Jones