



## **Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283**

### **Membership Meeting**

**August 2nd, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director Edward Johnson.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplin.

POW/MIA flag placed on chair by Sgt at Arms.

Pledge of Allegiance led by the Sgt at Arms.

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

### **Roll called**

Present:

**Director-** Edward Johnson, **Asst. Director-** Jim Nowak, **Chaplin-** Phillipe Dupont, **Sgt at Arms-** Vicki Skipper-Compton, **Road Captain-** Kyle Satterwhite, **Membership-** Karen Hunter-Nowak, **Webmaster-** Jim Nowak, **Historian-** Kaytlyn Satterwhite, **Adjutant-** Ashley Lambert, **Safety Officer-** John Lambert, **Kitchen Coordinator-** Brenda Johnson, **Women Veterans-** Ashley Lambert

**Not Present:** **Finance Officer-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused), **Quarter Master-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused), **Event Coordinator-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused)

(Quorum is met)

### **Committee Reports:**

**Adjutant:** In lieu of reading the minutes, they are posted on our website. A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton to accept minutes as posted. Motion was seconded by Kaytlyn Satterwhite, without any discussion motion passed.

**Finance Officer:** The finance report was read. Vicki Skipper-Compton made a motion to accept the Finance Officers' report subject to audit. Michelle seconded the motion. No discussion was had. Motion passed.

**Asst. Director:** Last month's totals: 23,977.4 miles, 2,011.4 hours, \$0 donations. YTD: 62,795.5 miles, 6,794.71 hours, \$2750 donations. Please everyone report your miles and hours, any little but helps.

**Chaplin:** I went to see Brenda and Ed who were in a car accident, if you know of anyone who is in need of a prayer let me know.

**Sgt at Arms:** We have 34 members and 1 guest present today, and \$34 dollars in the Rider Down Fund. We have this year's waivers, everyone please fill one out and give it to the Road Captain.

*Guest Speaker:* The Fleet Reserve is having a poker run on September 13th. Everyone is invited to attend. The power run starts at 9 AM, and KSU at 10AM.

**Road Captain:** We will be riding out to Boogerville and stopping at Woodpeckers for lunch. Maybe on the way back we might make one more stop, but that depends on how we feel. Rolling for Heroes is also having a ride today, but they're KSU at 10: 30. Everyone ride safely, and have fun. We also have our plaque again for those of you who participate.

**Safety Captain:** Please be mindful of the other people on the road, don't think that they will be looking out for you, so everyone be safe. Be careful.

**Membership:** We have 2 new people to vote in this morning: Ann Richards and Michael Efferson. A motion was passed that the new riders be voted in. We currently have 133 members, 2 new members, 46 lifetime.

**Kitchen Coordinator:** On August 7th we served chicken tenders with fries, we profited a total of \$204 and had nine volunteers. On August 15th we served pork loin with gravy and green beans, we profited \$361 and had twelve volunteers. On August 25th we served tacos, we profited \$154, and had eleven volunteers.

September's meals will be: The 4th will be chicken tenders. The 19th will be meatball subs. The 25th is taco Tuesday. Any volunteers are greatly appreciated.

**Webmaster:** If you have any pictures you want put up on the website send them to me and I will put them up. If you guys organize a ride, please let the Road Captain know. Also, feel free to put it out as an event on Facebook, more people will join your ride and it will make it more fun.

**Historian:** we had a few members visit Massachusetts in August. We had some members attend Sturges. We had some members visit Louisiana and give out plaques to those who helped us out during last year's poker run. On the 3rd we had a plaque presented to us for our participation and donation to Boots on the Ground. The SOBs (Sons of the Beaches) had their first bike night at Singletons. We had our first bike night at our post and it was so much fun we had great food and played games.

**Event Coordinator:** Please volunteer for our poker run coming up at the end of this month. We still have things available for people to do.

**Quartermaster:** No report given.

**Lady Veterans:** No report given.

**Director:**

**Upcoming events:**

*Upcoming events to be mailed out to the membership, please also check the 5th District calendar.*

## **Old business:**

## **New business:**

We had our bike night, Glenda and Sam provided the food so thank you guys. Wes was in charge of the 50/50, and Jim ran the games. Thank you to all of those who helped to make our bike night a success. We had to donate 10% of what we made back to the post, that was part of the stipulations of having the bike night here at the post. We will have our bike night on the last Monday of the month at the Post from now on.

We went to 129s bike night and it was fantastic, we showed lots of support from 283.

During the October camping trip at Hannah Park we would like to cook chicken. We will be at pavilion 6, we will be there on October 11th at 8 AM. We will get pricing and then at the next meeting we would like to have a motion to commit a certain amount to buying the meat. If everyone could bring a side like we did last year, then that would be great and we would have plenty for everyone. Just so that everyone is aware, Hannah Park has a no alcohol policy. It's fine at your camp site, but you can not have any alcohol while at the pavilion or while walking around the common areas.

Post clean up will be next Saturday September the 13th at 8 AM sharp. I need at least ten rider volunteers to help. We will be taking everything out of the back porch area and power washing it, along with the front side walk. We have the Chief Mess/Selectees coming out to help as well. Too Tall will also be cooking ribs that day so if you come out you can get a free lunch.

The fleet is having their poker run next Saturday as well, if anyone would like to make a motion to donate to them now would be the time. Kyle Satterwhite made a motion to donate \$500 to the Fleet Reserve. Motion was passed without discussion.

The poker run is this month, we still need items for the silent auction. If you have anything you want to donate please let someone know. Bacardi did reach out to us and they donated thirty-six bottles of liquor to us. If anyone has any extra baskets we would appreciate any donations. Please invite any vendors that you may know, they will be out in the parking lot.

We need to start thinking about our Christmas party for the year. We still need a location, what kind of food and who will cook, if we will be doing a gift exchange, etc. Please tell us any ideas that you may have.

Please everyone log your miles and hours. We have 133 members and only forty-six people regularly log their miles and hours. This is what gets us chapter of the year and gets us recognized at the state level.

If you have anything that belongs to the riders please bring it back to the post. It was brought to my attention that not everything that we own is currently here. If you have anything please bring it back. We are looking to get a storage unit at the new facility that is opening down the road to store our stuff. They have not opened just yet, but we did talk to the manager, he has agreed to rent us a 10x10 unit at a discounted rate. It is climate controlled and the bullying requires a code to get in, so our belongings will be safe and secured. We would like to go into the unit and put up shelving to make everything nice and organised. We don't have a lot of room in the storage area here at the post, so that's why we are looking into getting a unit.

We are still in discussion about getting post shirts. Sam had made a logo for us, it looks like a pirate face and says “plaque raiders”, and on the front it says American Legion. I have to get permission from the post to get the shirts made because we are using the legion name and logo.

The cabinet out front will be for merchandise. We have things in the storage room right now that could be in the cabinet, and it would bring money in for us. We will be installing a light inside to make it a little nicer.

ALR 372 in Mandarin will be having a poker run on Sunday the 14th starting at Monkeys Uncle Tavern at 9AM.

Chris Pomeroy from post 9 has asked us to be an official sponsor of Boots on the ground, meaning that one of the routes for that day will say "American Legion Post 283" so we have to plan a route and submit it to Boots on the Ground. We need to appoint a route captain as well.

Summit this year will be in Daytona. Summit is the annual training opportunity for new officers or returning officers. If you are interested in learning more about any position in the riders group, Summit is the place to do it. We do pay for the rooms but the caveat to that is that we want to only give rooms to those who participate in dinners, rides, meetings, and people who volunteer. If you do attend, you must go to classes during the day, this is not a party event, it is for learning.

The blood bus will be here tomorrow, if you donate you can get a free breakfast.

A motion was made by Karen Hunter-Nowak to add the Assistant Finance and Assistant Adjutant to the riders officers. The motion was seconded by Kyle Satterwhite. Motion was passed without discussion. These positions cannot be added until our SOPs are submitted and accepted, once they are I will need two volunteers to step up into those positions.

A motion was made by Kyle Satterwhite to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Vicki Skipper-Compton. Motion passed without discussion.

Our next meeting will be **October 4th, 2025 @ 9am.**

POW/MIA flag retrieved by temp Sgt at Arms.

Director adjourned the meeting at 10:00:00

For God and Country.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283 Adjutant

*Ashley Lambert*

