

UTAH GOOD SAMS STATE COMMITTEE MEETING

Sept. 7, 2019

Delta, UT

Harold greeted everyone and thanked them for attending.

Reverence was offered by Lee Gillman.

Roll call by Arlene. Those chapters represented were: Happy Hobos, Utah Deer Sams, Over the Hill Sams, Peach City Good Sams, Squaw Peak Sams, Tooele Travelers (represented by Cloyd Theobald), Sundowner Sams, Utah Trail Dusters, Ute Salt Shakers, PP&PSO

Motion to accept minutes made by Art Harding

Seconded by Evelyn Powell

Motion passed

Lee Gillman gave the financial report.

Motion to accept financial report made by Jim Keller

Seconded by Mike Johnson

Motion passed

* Harold reminded everyone that dues needed to be sent to Lee before the December meeting. The fee is \$5.00 per rig membership.

* A new email address has been established. That is: StateDirector@utahgoodsam.org. The purpose of this new address is for people wanting more info on our organization. This will go only to Harold and Bob Anderson. All personal information, emails and phone numbers has been taken off the web page. This will prevent anyone from getting unauthorized personal contact information of Good Sam members.

The discussion was opened up for comments on the Rally. Things that worked and things that didn't.

RAT TRAP DERBY - Generally very well received. A lot of fun. Some felt they were at a disadvantage because of chapter numbers, lack of understanding the rules and lack of tools and equipment. A new activity will replace the parade again next year. That is TBD.

OPENING CEREMONY - Well received.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL - We ordered too many ice cream bars. We should order from registration instead of guessing how many we need.

ENTERTAINMENT - Excellent

MEMORIAL SERVICES - Much better than the arena. More personal. Flowers were a very nice touch. Possibly show pictures on screen as they are presented. Presidents are asked to send in information to the Happy Hobos when they have a death in their chapter. It's much easier to access the information when it is current than months later.

NEWS LETTER - Most comments were that they preferred the old way of putting it out. Several commented that they enjoyed delivering them every morning and lots enjoyed having them on their door to read every morning. A comment was made that they could have the printed copies at a central point to be picked up or have a small pile at the Registration Booth and just print them out as needed to prevent having a lot left over every day.

GAMES - Comments about not enough games. Others were happy with the scheduling so they didn't overlap other activities. Harold stressed that due to lower attendance things had to be deleted and rearranged, thus maybe a game or two had to be cut.

VENDOR/CHAPTER BOOTHS - A vendor commented that he would like to come back next year. That is good news. We don't hear that very often. A comment was made about possible setting aside a time that is totally dedicated to visiting Vendor and Chapter booths. That will be taken into consideration.

PARKING - Members coming in late will not necessarily be parked with their chapter. Calling ahead "might" result in parking "near" their chapter. Otherwise will be parked where the space is available. The need to revisit the number of "special needs" spaces available is required. They don't necessarily need electricity, just close proximity to restrooms and main building.

We reviewed the assignments for the 2020 rally. They are as follows:

Utah Deer Sams - Charity Auction	Happy Hobos - Memorial Service/ breakfast cleanup
Over the Hill Sams - Coffee & donuts	Peach City Good Sams - Crazy golf
Red Cliff Chiefs - Samgo/Ladies Tea	Squaw Peak Sams - Decorations/breakfast count
Utah Sundowners Sams - Bean bag baseball/men's gathering	Tooele Travelers - G.S. merchandise booth/ice cream social
Trail Dusters - Washer toss	Ute Salt Shakers - Cakewalk

A copy of the 2020 Rally and Fall Tag assignments is available on the Good Sam website.

If your chapter had an assignment at the Rally, that responsibility follows through to the Fall Tag. If that activity is on the Fall Tag schedule your chapter is responsible to make sure it happens at the Fall Tag. Ramona will make sure that game rules are available to those in charge of the games. You can get them from her or they are also on the utahgoodsam.org website. You are encouraged to become familiar with game rules before you try to oversee the game.

* Nominations for Treasurer are due to Harold no later than Nov. 1. Any chapter can nominate anyone they would like as long as they have the persons' permission. Send your nomination letter by email to: [REDACTED] or by mail to: Harold Jacklin, [REDACTED]

The December meeting will be held on Sat. Dec. 7 at 11:00. The place is TBD. All State Staff, Presidents and incoming Presidents, or any chapter member that wants to, are invited to attend.

FALL TAG

* It's obvious, that with declining numbers some Fall Tag activities need to be revisited.

- 2017 - 16 chapters
 - 16 major assignments
 - Made decision to rotate assignments instead of drawing for them
- 2018 16 chapters
 - 16 major assignments
- 2019 5 chapters gave up their charters
 - 1 chapter continued in a non-participating status
 - 6 major assignments were eliminated
- 2020 10 active chapters
 - 10 major assignments

Options are:

- * Eliminate some of those activities that cost money, such as the catered meal. Could the organization just supply meat and the rest pot luck? Or the entire meal potluck?
- * Raise dues. It is preferable that we keep registration at \$40.
- * Discontinue Tag entirely.

Last year they barely broke even. It looked very close this year. Numbers are not known at this time.

Change of venue? Really can't find anyplace that fits our needs at the price we are getting now. Contract is year-to-year. If anyone has any different venue ideas, please let Harold know.

A comment was made that they would like to have the Driving Instructor back. Some didn't get to attend due to assignments, etc.

A statement was made that we needed more activities. This year Friday was set apart for people to attend festivities in Fillmore, so not many activities were planned. This doesn't happen often, but comment will be considered.

Coffee at the Fall Tag will only be served if there are enough people that want it. Otherwise, it will not be provided.

* Dates for next year's Fall Tag to be considered are: **Sept. 24, 25, 26 or Oct. 8,9,10.** Chapter presidents are asked to talk this over with their members and let Harold know their preferences. **If you don't let your preferences known, then you can't complain about when it is held.**

Harold thanked everyone for coming and hoped they enjoyed the Fall Tag.

Tag details: 53 rigs registered.