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August 2007 News

Our August HR-17 planning meeting was held at the Leighty Home on the 9th at 6:00pm. Pizza, and beer with plenty of snacks and desert were provided to all attendees.

Major topics of discussion were:

- The DJ for HR-17 was to meet with Ron Cowan and verify the placement of his van and speakers.
- As of this date we have commitments for 40 merchandise vendors and 9 food vendors
- Mike Hildebrand was moving forward with the procurement of the trophies, dash plaques, and "Thank You" awards.
- Sharon Osborne was making great strides toward securing the permits from the Harbor, City, and County. Charlie Gartman successfully completed the food inspector training and provided Sharon the Certificate of Completion to reduce the cost of the permits
- Sponsorship of the "Home Made" trophies has been obtained and Sponsor names were provided to Mike Hildebrand.
- Use of the "Dear Merchant" letter was highly encouraged to fill our Raffle and Super Raffle Tables.
- Construction is progressing at the Harbor. Word from the Harbor Manager was that construction will continue for at least a year
- A new Design for the 4'x10' Banners was presented and approved. Artwork will be sent to the Harbor Manager and will see if there is time and budget to have them done this year.
- "Day of the Show" Sign-Up sheet was passed to all attendees.
- Raffle Board frame was welded and fit checked and ready for Harbor Run
- Ramps will be taken to the Harbor and fit checked and modified as necessary
- Dan Gresley was finalizing the Brochure and expect to go to print by the weekend.
- Poster layout is 90% complete and will also be ready by the weekend
- All agreed that another ticket tumbler be obtained to support the Super Raffle if it comes to be on show day.
- Ron Cowan is working the press release and radio ad issues with the Harbor and Ventura Star
- T-shirts were not available for this meeting. Vendor expected the shirts to be completed by Tuesday August 14th. Connie Fain will call for assistance as needed.
- Homemade trophies are to be brought to the Monthly Meeting on the 26th.
- It was highly recommended that all members be at the exits to wave goodbye to all participants
- Presentation of checks to 3-5 charities during the awards ceremony was introduced and approved. This gives VVR and the Charities we support a great PR opportunity.
- The tall crane may be in jeopardy to due the on going strike. A wait and see was proposed.
- Norris and Judy Woods will be our on site security and will be bringing their RV and "Pain Killers" for after the show on Sunday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 and the Bar opened for the remainder of the evening.



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August's business meeting was held at the Cowan home. Thank You, Ron and Dianne.

Items of discussion were

- The Perskes introduced Ted and Daphne Netherington as their guests.
- The Roarks have returned and provided us with a brief summary of their 4000 mile 5 month journey on their boat.
- The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. Thanks went out to Diane Cowan and Sharon Osborne for stepping up and performing the duties of Secretary during Sherri Roark's absence.
- \$500 was given to the Strawberry Patch Day Care facility at the corner of Jolliet and Gonzeles. Roads. They were in dire need of supplies and playground equipment. Sharon Osborne read the very nice "Thank You" note and it was quite obvious that the gift was truly appreciated.
- Thanks to Maryanne Gartman, VVR has made contact with the Oxnard Sunrise Rotary club. Both Organizations focus on providing assistance to those in need in our local community. They have asked VVR to assist them with their annual "Shoes and Socks" drive for HayCox Elementary school. All members approved in supporting this cause. Details to follow, Conrad Alvarez is a patient of Maryanne and was the initial point of contact from the Rotary Club. He is also the General Manager of Food Plus grocery Store here in Oxnard. We talked about both our organizations and the types of organizations we provide assistance to locally. At 9:30 Saturday morning, Conrad called and asked if VVR could use some dry goods. Ginny Ethier and I have not quite worked out the logistics to support the Vets Center, so Heidi and I went and accepted literally a pickup truck load of various brands and flavors breakfast cereal. After some discussion, We decided to take the entire lot to the Food Share facility for immediate disbursement.
- A request to support the toy drive during the Ventura Sports Festival (Dec 8-9) was also submitted to the members for consideration. Additional information will be forthcoming.
- A proposal to procure an enclosed trailer to store club equipment and paraphernalia was introduced. This would eliminate the need for our members to store large and numerous items at their homes and centralize all of the Harbor Run stuff in 1 location. It would also be mobile so that a truck and multiple moves of the material could be eliminated during setup of future Harbor Runs. With some storage details to work out, it appeared that the feedback from the members was positive.
- Connie Fain single handedly picked up the HR shirts from the printer, sorted, folded, and brought the HR-17 member shirts to the meeting. A big Thank You goes to Connie for getting this overwhelming task accomplished.
- Acknowledgement of the entire Osborne clan for going way beyond the call of duty. Sharon spent numerous hours working out the permit issues not to mention a super deal on the show's printed material. Bob has negotiated and haggled with vendors, sponsors, and retailers to make this years show the best ever. Dan has worked diligently and produced the Brochure and has also been working vendor issues.



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- Recap of the HR-17 committee meeting was presented and opened for discussion/comment. Re-emphasis on getting raffle table items was paramount.
- A work detail has been established for Saturday Sept 8 at 1:00PM to prep the show site and address any last minute issues.
- The Show Day Assignment Sheet was passed around to all attendees.
- Upcoming local car shows were identified and all those interested in participating or attending as spectators were encouraged pass out flyers.
- Congratulations go out to Willie and Lisa Bidwell on the purchase of their new home in Ventura.

The September "Harbor Run After Party/Meeting" will be hosted by the Fains and is slated for Sunday September 16th. Specific details will follow as they become available. We should have completed the accounting of the show and I would like to use this meeting to nominate the recipients at this time. Please try to attend so that everyone can get their charity of choice in the hopper.

I would like to personally thank everyone who has participated in the planning and execution of all tasks over the past 5+ months to make Harbor Run the best show in Ventura County. Harbor Run does not just happen. It takes a lot hard work, time, patience, and perseverance from all members to make it the success that is has grown to be. I know that this news letter was a bit long, but it's content demonstrates to all who read it, that VVR can "GET-er Done...!!!"

Have a safe and Happy Labor Day Holiday and see you at "Harbor Run 17".

Upcoming Birthdays are

Birthdays	
Charlie Roak	5 Sept
Jim Perske	15 Sept
Jerry Leighty	16 Sept
Elmore nelson	18 Sept
Dennis Nickerson	19 Sept

Respectfully Submitted

President VVR