

Hot August Nights Check-In Committee

April 27, 2009 Meeting Minutes

The second Car Participant Check-In meeting for 2009 was held on April 27, 2009 at the Hot August Nights office starting at 5:30 p.m. About 50 people were in attendance.

Where to Find the Minutes

Meeting minutes are posted on the website - HotAugustNights.net - pull down the Volunteer menu, select Join the Team, and click Check-In under Volunteer Committees. Meeting minutes are listed by date at the bottom of the Check-In page.

Introductions

Chairman Sue Lund introduced assistant chairmen Joe Fournier and Linda Morganson - both absent. Managers and assistant managers were announced and those present were introduced: Gloria Hutcherson, Peggy Thomas and Liz Kern (Small Packets), Debbie Callahan (T-Shirts), Debbie Drawson (VIP Dinner Tickets), and Brad & Sherry Pearse (Goody Bag Packing Party). Kathy Schaffer, HAN office staff, was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Audience members introduced themselves and shared their favorite band/musical group and their best song from the '50's or 60's. We were pleased to meet approximately 6 new members.

Overview of Check-In

Location: Silver State Pavilion in the Grand Sierra Resort.

Come in the South entrance (by the pool) and turn right. Ground floor.

Set-up: Sunday 8/2/09 - 5:00 p.m. (usually takes 2-3 hours)

Goody Bag Packing: Monday 8/3/09 - 8:00 a.m. (usually takes 4-5 hours) Lunch is provided.

Work days: Tuesday 8/4/09 - Friday 8/7/09 (8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Saturday 8/8/09 (8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. + tear-down)

Purpose: Car Participant Check-In is responsible for organizing the car packets that are distributed to the car participants and checking in all registered car participants. This includes the packing of the large and small packets and the organization and distribution of packets. This committee also registers car participants for the Poker Walk.

Check-In Areas

Check-In areas include: Small Packets, Trouble Desk, T-Shirts, Poker Walk, Oldies Emporium/Guest Passes, and VIP Dinner Tickets. This area also includes Information/Hotels which is not staffed by our committee.

Poker Walk vs. Poker Run

Poker Walk participants walk around downtown Reno to visit sponsors to collect cards for a winning poker hand over a period of three days. Poker Run participants drive along a prearranged route on Thursday to visit sponsors to collect a winning poker hand.

Participant Car Vintage

Remember, we register cars from 1972 or earlier. Nothing from 1973-2009! Also, no Asian cars.

After Meeting Training/Work Session

Everyone is encouraged to stay after the meeting to attend training or participate in a work session. Please bring a snack to share. The hours DO count toward your membership level and we have lots of fun. It's a great way to get to know your fellow committee members. Tonight, Gloria conducted a mini-training session in Small Packets. The "worker bees" attached labels to 6000 small packets.

During the event

Hours: Please plan to work at least 16 hours during the event (7/31 through 8/9).

Attire: Wear your HAN polo shirt & badge. Please do not drink alcohol while wearing HAN shirt.

Lunch tickets: You will receive a \$6 voucher for every 4 hours worked. Please use the entire \$6. The vouchers will be honored by the food vendors at HAN venues, Port of Subs at GSR, and Art Geckos at Circus Circus. The back of each voucher must be filled out by a Check-In manager (name, Member ID#, date, approved by).

Sign in and out: Sign in/out yourself in the volunteer book provided at your venue. Sign in and out in the exact same book. If you forget to sign out, we will record only 2 hours of work time.

Schedule: You can sign up for shifts tonight. Linda is coordinating the Check-In schedule.

Member Shuttle: The pick-up locations are HAN office, Reed HS, and Nevada Energy (Sierra Pacific Power). You MUST make a reservation; call the office 356-1956, ext. 1.

What's new with Hot August Nights?

Number of participants: Car registrations now 6000

Member badges - new look (no buttons or other credentials). No more shoelaces - lanyards instead. Please wear whenever working + to all parties & HAN functions - \$3 for replacement

Cruises: The Sparks cruise is back to the old (2007) route and Reno is on for Saturday night.

Member recruitment contest: There's going to be a drawing for 3-day trip! Please be an ambassador for Hot August Nights & Check-in. Write your name at the top of new member's application to enter this drawing.

Upcoming events (mark your calendars!):

Spring Fever 5/16/09 @ Atlantis, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (Set-up at 8:30 a.m.) Need volunteers.

Member Appreciation Party 5/22/08 @ Silver Legacy, 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. (also recruitment party)

Pep Rally 7/16/09 @ Eldorado (downstairs), 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. (Get your shirt and goody bag)

Check-In Set-up Sunday 8/2/09 @ GSR, 5:00 p.m. - approximately 7:00 p.m.

Participant Goody Bag Packing Party Monday 8/3/09 @ GSR, 8:00 a.m. - approx. 1:00 p.m.

Member Thank You Party 9/26/09

Future Check-in Meetings

We meet the 4th Monday of each month @ 5:30 P.M. at the HAN office (except in May).

Save the dates: June 1, June 22, and July 27.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Submitted by Sherry Pearse