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Sunday June 4th was a chapter ride to Rockton for chicken. Over 20 bikes set out for a day-long ride. Just outside Mauston as we were going through a series of roundabouts I couldn't stay in my lane; my bike was handling like crap. At the stoplight I shouted to the bike next to me (Scott & Amber) that there was something wrong with my bike. They could tell that my rear tire was flat. We passed the information to the leader; John, who pulled into a Kwik Trip Parking lot. The guys looked at my tire and saw something in it. Frank had his tools out (again) and there was a metal triangle wedged in the rear tire that Bill pulled out. We decided my bike was not going to make the rest of the trip. Things just fell into place after that. Mauston is one of a very few Harley dealerships open on Sunday, so Amber helped me call and the trailer was on its way. I was able to ride 2 up with Bill for the rest of the day. This would have been very different if one of the guys had gotten a flat. I wonder who would have road 2 up or if a bike that already had 2 had got the flat. It would have definitely been more interesting. Another positive of the situation was I opted to extend my warranty and included wheel and tire so instead of paying full price for a new rear tire to be installed I paid a \$50 deductible.

One lesson learned was that we should not deviate from the ride and have a plan if a bike breaks down or if some isn't feeling well. The most interesting thing about all of this was the concern that everyone had for me. I have been trying to learn names and get to know the members as the director of the chapter. My theory is we are all just misfit's trying to fit in and motorcycles are the common thread. In a very short period of time the people I consider friends have grown by over 50 people since joining the chapter. I have a little something in common with some of you and absolutely nothing except Harley Davidson Motorcycles with others, it doesn't make any difference to me. We all enjoy riding our motorcycles and sharing stories about where we go and what we do. I encourage everyone to come to the gatherings, ride the rides and participate in the events. I'm very appreciative of the concern we have for each other.

I hope you are enjoying the June challenge. Have a safe July 4th holiday

Jean Callaway



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we have in common

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The History of Harley-Davidson

What's not to know? In about 1901 2 guys huddled in a yard shed for a couple of years and built Number 1, finishing in 1903. Next year they built more, moved into a bigger place, then built more. Constantly evolving and improving along the way. In 1913, ten years later they built about 16,000 motorcycles.

Flash forward 120 years and guess what? Still innovating, evolving, and improving. For instance over the past 120 years:

The V-Twin, not that they invented it, they made it work on a motorcycle.

Customizing the ride – Started in 1905

The Sportster – roots date back to 1952 – sport bike to beat in the day, the newest version best yet

Electra Glide – 1965 beginning of comfortable long-distance riding

Harley Owners Group – There is no other enthusiast organization like it. Anywhere for anything.

Museum – Best specialty museum in the world

Livewire – Who'd a thunk it – an electric Harley

Pan-America – a well-executed departure from tradition

Ups and downs also well documented. The Great Depression almost put HD out of business, WWII got a leg up on their arch rival Indian and put them out of business, the 70's quality morass, the buyout that saved the company, and the Evolution engine that got sales going again. Been a few clunkers along the way, too.

Most of us in the Chapter have been riding for decades. My oldest Harley was a 1979 Dyna Low Rider. New members? You'll get there too because you've discovered one of those things in life that's still fun. Riding a Harley Davidson.

So where does all that history lead us? Milwaukee in July for the 120th anniversary. See you there. Get you tickets, now would be good.



“Surviving an Unplanned Night in the Wilderness” was the first Thursday morning session at the Wilderness Medicine Conference I recently attended. The presenter shared some great insights about the importance of “emergency preparedness”, and I think several of these concepts apply to “risk reduction” when motorcycle riding. Some of these concepts are:

Prepare yourself mentally for the planned activity

Practice difficult maneuvers in a safe or protected environment

Never trust untested equipment

Embrace mistakes [learn from what you did not do well]

In a difficult or emergency situation, people do not “rise to the occasion”, they function at their highest level of training.

A Friday morning session was titled “Wilderness Dermatology – Sunburn, Rashes, & Cancer”.

Ultraviolet [U.V.] light is short wavelength, and has more energy than infrared.

There are 3 kinds of Ultraviolet light: A, B, and C.

U.V. - A is the wavelength that mostly triggers our skin to tan, burn, and wrinkle, and to some degree can cause cancer

U.V. – B penetrates deeper into the tissue and causes most of the skin cancers

U.V. – C is almost 100% filtered by the upper atmosphere, and is essentially a non-factor

U.V. – A intensity is the same all day long

U.V. - B is most intense between 10 am and 2 pm.

Sunblock of SPF 30 or greater provides excellent protection against ultraviolet light

Skin on nose and ears most easily damaged and in most need of protection

Ultraviolet light can also damage cells on the surface of the eyes. Wear sunglasses that filter U.V. – A and U.V. – B.

Thin cotton does not filter/block, and is not protective against, ultraviolet light

Denim filters/blocks, and is protective against, ultraviolet light

Most skin cancers are from overexposure to U.V. – A and U.V. – B



From personal experience, the best treatment for quick relief of sunburn is Aloe Vera Gel.

In the first Sunday morning session, we learned about reducing risk of injury from lightning strikes:

It is generally, but not universally, true that lightning strikes the tallest or highest object

To determine the distance [in miles] from you to a thunderstorm, count the seconds between seeing a flash of lightning and hearing the “boom” of the thunder, and divide by 5 [Flash à thunder is 5 secs = 1 mile away; Flash à thunder 15 secs = 3 miles away]

There are known incidences of lightning strikes of up to 16 miles from a thunderstorm, in which case the above formula is of no help.

If you are aware of an approaching thunderstorm, seek shelter in a building, under an overpass, in a vehicle, etc. If that is not possible, be as low to the ground as possible.

Regarding hot weather riding:

On hot, low humidity days, it is possible to get dehydrated and not realize what is happening. Be sure to drink plenty of fluids to avoid getting dehydrated.

Group Riding Tips.....*from your Head Road Captain, Maury*



Riding in a group of motorcycles can be a thrilling experience. From a safety perspective two or more bikes are certainly more visible to other motorists than one single bike. On the other hand, if you are new to motorcycling or have never ridden in a group before you may feel unsure of yourself as what the rules are and how to safely ride in a group. Even some of us that have ridden motorcycles for many years can use a refresher course from time to time. Different groups may have different protocols on how they ride, or even how you ride with a group of your friends. There are no right or wrong ways to ride in a group as long as everyone is on the same page.

For everyone's safety here is how we group ride at Fox Valley WI HOG:

Staggered formation. 2 seconds behind the bike in front of you and 1 second behind the bike to the side of you. Keep the gaps at this interval so cars don't intermix with us and block our signals to those behind.

At traffic signals pull up to two abreast to shorten the length of the group so everyone clears the signal. It is allowable to go single file when encountering sharp curves. When completed go back to staggered.

Stay in your 1/3 of the lane, either closest to the centerline or closest to the shoulder. Do not drift into the middle as this prevents the lead and sweep road captains from seeing each other. Trikes always line up on the left, again so lead and sweep can see each other.

Should a rider drop out of the ride, we do not fill that gap until stopped at a traffic signal, where you pull up in a straight line to fill the gap. We never crisscross lanes or pass another bike in the same lane.

All lane changes start from the front. Do not move over until the lead road captain moves, then all follow from the front.

We do use hand signals in addition to turn signals on the bikes. Point out all road hazards to those following you such as roadkill, debris, potholes etc. A detailed description of all hand signals and riding protocol can be found on our chapter webpage, foxvalleywi-hog.org. Please review and practice these signals.

Always arrive 30 minutes prior to a ride with a full tank of gas and an empty bladder.

All rides are free from any impairing drugs or alcohol. When we have arrived at the final destination and kickstands are down indicating the ride has ended it is permissible to consume adult beverages of your choice.

Dress for the weather. You may need extra layers such as chaps and sweatshirts to start a ride, only to shed them later in the day and ride in a tee shirt. A rain suit may be a good item to always carry as Wisconsin weather can be fickle.

Comfort items such as a water bottle, sunblock, lip balm, and ear plugs should be taken along with you on all rides.

Perform your TCLOCS at home before you leave for a ride. (Tires and wheels, Controls, Lights and electronics, Oil, Chassis, Side stand)

In case of a flat tire or mechanical breakdown pull off to the side of the road and put on your emergency flashers. The Sweep (last rider in the group who is a chapter Road Captain) will stop to assist you. The rest of the group will continue to a safe place to park and evaluate the situation.

Harley Owners Group (HOG) has two simple rules, To Ride and To Have Fun!

Let's go for it!

Maury



June 6, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:30M by Director Jean Callaway

New Members - Steve Seljan from Atlanta, GA

Members in attendance 37 , online 7 for a total of 44 - WELCOME!

Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence for all those who have lost their lives and given to our country

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter

Date Changes & Other Important Items

*The Officers meeting for June will on the 27th at 6:30PM at Sideliners and all members are welcome

* July Chapter meeting will be on Wed. July 5th at 6:30 PM at AHD

* Perry is working on Activities Calendar format and will try to bring back the previous color coded format

* Chapter Poker Run submission of registration form is due no later than the chapter July meeting and fee of \$7 per person

* June is Dairy Month - Cheese Factory Challenge tic-tac-toe sheets were passed out to anyone interested in doing the June Challenge. You need to come with at least one line completed, across, up or down or diagonally and post your pictures on the chapter facebook page to be eligible for prizes. Additional cards are behind the desk at the dealership

*Working on other challenges for upcoming months such as Painted Barn Quilts, Rustic Roads, Military Tanks & Helicopters. If you have an idea, please contact one of the officers

***New Members this year: WELCOME!!**

Chuck Anderson

James Bethke

Donna Van Landghen:

***LOH** - Highway Cleanup which was scheduled for July will need to be changed.

What the Chapter event facebook page for update. Looking for Members to step up and help with this event

* Form was passed around at the meeting regarding attending a Timber Rattlers Game in August (8, 9, 10, 11 or 22nd) Options on where to seat and eating and will depend on the price of tickets

Safety Officer Paul Treder -

Paul was not at the meeting but look for his article relating to a conference he attended on Wilderness Medicine

Charity Committee, Amber Boehlen -

* King Run on Sunday August 20th is under way. Donna and Amber are finalizing the donation request letter

*Quilt that Marcia Meidam handmade was displayed and looked amazing. Tickets for the raffling of this quilt and other basket raffles will be available the day of the event(Sun. Aug. 20th)

Thank you SOOOO Much Marcia, you did such a Great Job!!!

Poster of all sizes are available for everyone to pickup and post at all locations throughout the state.

* Name Tags are in and if you ordered one, please contact Amber to pick up

*** Amber and Jean looked into Chapter logo designated Shirts and sweatshirts from Norscot**

Not alot of details in the magazine on the items, but you should take a look if interested and which item you would like and size. We can order them thru the chapter and possibly get free shipping. Website is www.norscothogstore.com We would like to place this order after the July 5th meeting if enough interest

Road Captain - Maury Wiess:

* Jump Pak is available for rides - Donated by John Long
John has health issues and your Prayers would be greatly appreciated

* Ride to Mackinac Island July 8-11 has had great response. There are 22 members with 16 bikes attending; if you are still interested the one hotel still has vacancy and you should contact Maury ASAP

* Rooms for the 120th Harley-Davidson Anniversary for July 13-16 are filled up at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Milwaukee, Brookfield, WI 115 Discovery Dr, Brookfield,WI 53045

Donna Landghen said she has 2 rooms that are available, contact her if interested

* Ride after the June meeting is going to Leon's in Oshkosh for Ice Cream

Patricia - Shop Updates; - Events Coordinator

* Customer Motorcycle Show (Mr. "D"s)is Saturday, June 17th

* Father's Day sale is going on thru June 18th

* Ride with Adam Sandevel is scheduled for July 8th and you can join the ride and goes to Doc's HD

* Sidewalk sale is July 8th

***MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS -**

* Kaye Rogers gave information about the 120th Harley Davidson Ride In rides from the 4 corners and 2 from Canada.

You can join in on the rides from any point and the rides stop at Harley Shops along the way with food trucks available. Starting in Portland, OR, Maine, Florida, Los Angeles and East & West Canada

Three groups are stopping at Uke's HD for lunch and also three groups at Wisconsin HD in Oconomowoc

* Chapter Picnic will be at Chi Whitemarsh and Ken Jungwirth home this year
A vote was taken and Saturday, Sept. 30th with Sunday, Oct. 1st as the rain date

* Poker Run stop in Wilton that was done on Sun. June 4th was explained that if you were in the picture, you need to print out for yourself to use for your poker run stop

* Amber explained that she and Scott did the 10 for 2023 stop at the HOG Intersection and make sure you take your picture with the correct signage. (She errored)

Coffee Fund - Monies collected was \$117.00 with \$59.00 going to the chapter general fund. Winner number one was Paul Lemke of \$29.00, and second winner was Chi Whitemarch of \$29.00 and she donated to the King Ride Congratulations!!!

Big Bin Winner - Amount for June 6th of \$50.00 was Jacci Garvey and was present Amount for the July 5th meeting will be \$25.

***July will be under the canopy by the Dealership -**

Thank you and LET's Ride

Meeting adjourned at 7:08PM

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2023 H.O.G. Rallies are Off and Running

The first H.O.G. Touring Rally of the season, Run the Gulf, is in the books. It's just the beginning of a year filled with the promise of epic riding adventures. There are many more chances to ride the best roads in the country, create great memories and meet new friends. Please share the schedule with your chapter members and consider planning a chapter ride to an upcoming event.

Full details and registration links for all H.O.G. rallies are available on the [H.O.G. Rally Map](#).

2023 H.O.G. Touring Rallies

Ring of Fire H.O.G. Touring Rally, August 29-September 2, Tacoma, WA to Chico, CA

9 Passes H.O.G. Touring Rally, September 5-9, Chico to Lancaster, CA

2023 Regional H.O.G. Rallies

"N" the Burg H.O.G. Rally, July 26-29, Fredericksburg, VA

H-D Homecoming/Harley-Davidson 120th Anniversary & H.O.G. 40th Anniversary, July 13-16, Milwaukee, WI

Battle Cry of Freedom H.O.G. Rally, August 16-19, Gettysburg, PA

Bikes, Beaches & Bridges H.O.G. Rally, October 4-7, Clearwater, FL

2023 H.O.G. Check-Ins

Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, August 4-11, Sturgis, SD

Bikefest Lake of the Ozarks, September 13-16, Osage Beach, MO

Northwoods Fall Ride, September 14-16, Tomahawk, WI

Bikes, Blues & BBQ, September 20-23, Rogers, AR

Street Vibrations Fall Rally, September 21-24, Reno, NV

Biketoberfest, October 19-21, Daytona Beach, FL

National Harley Ride 365 and our Chapter Mileage Contest?

As our Chapter's Mileage liaison, I have been gathering our member's mileage information with the help of Patricia from Appleton Harley.

Our 2023 Ride 365 Chapter Challenge has a total of 38,655 miles recorded by members. AWESOME!

Current day, 33+ members have not submitted your 2023 starting mileage.

If you are not sure if you had your 2023 starting mileage read you can review by doing the following:

Go to the Harley Davidson website and log into your account. You would then locate the Ride 365. You can see your Life Time miles and current year. If you see a 0 (zero) then you would have starting entered.

Go to the Dealership and talk with Patricia for what she has.

I (Donna) also have a report listing of starting miles by the chapter members

You can get your starting miles read now for the year and update that mileage anytime. I like to get my miles record and updated a couple times, as this helps me ensure that miles are being recorded.

Contact me if you have any questions regarding these mileage options and mileage readings.

Ladies of Harley

The June 25, 2025 Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup is CANCELED.

If anyone goes by our section of Highway 96 by Fremont and notice that the ditches have been cut, please let me know. I will then schedule a clean-up day. We will then be looking for about 20 people to work this. This amount of people will make it easier on those working the area as it may be 2 miles but we have both sides of the 2 miles.

Night Out at the Timber Rattlers

August 22, 2023 was the date that worked for majority of the members. Watch for details on our Facebook page and E-mail.

May 2023 Financial Summary	3,626.21
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Checking	1,003.16
Savings	1,010.45
Savings - Year End Party	536.32
Savings - Fun Run	94.54
Savings - King	278.43
Savings - Memorial Brick	611.40
Petty Cash	65.00

If anyone would like to see any of the reports, please contact Amber

<i>less anticipated future payouts</i>	
Donna Van Landghen	26.91
Remaining account	3,626.21

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that might interest
you.

Mid-America Rally
St Charles, MO
June 22-24

Mackinac Ride
July 8-11
Registration closed

Harley Davidson 120th
Celebration
Milwaukee
July 13-15
Holiday inn express and suites
115 Discovery Drive
Brookfield Wi 53045
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SAVE THE DATES!

2023 King ride is set for Sunday, August 20, 2023

Next month—Where's the time going?

Officer's Meeting: Officer's meetings are 6:30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Sidelines in Greenville. All Members welcome to attend and contribute.

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