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<u>Hours:</u> Tuesday-Friday 9am to 6pm Saturday 9am to 4pm Sunday –Monday Closed



Well it's my turn to share my bio story. Thanks to all the officers that have shared their stories for our members. I started riding on my own in 2014, which seems like yesterday. Bill and I started riding in 2012 on a brand new Road Glide. Neither one of us knew how to ride. We have both taken the rider safety course, which I highly recommend for anyone wondering if riding is for you. We got a free HOG membership with the new bike but really had no idea what it meant other than a patch and a card. Bill joined the Open Road HOG chapter and we met several wonderful riding friends that we still have contact with today.. Politics and personalities clashed so we opted out. We enjoyed sharing our experiences and hearing about the adventures of others so decided

to join the Fox Valley WI chapter, and here we are today. I've started as the safety officer, LOH and Assistant Director prior to being director in 2023.

I've lived in the area my entire life. Born in Appleton. Graduated from Neenah High School and then UW Oshkosh with a BSN in nursing. I got my first job at Theda Clark Hospital in Neenah where I still work today in the Critical Care Unit. Those who know me have heard me say "ride safe, because I don't want to see you naked" which will happen if you crash anywhere around here because TCN is a level 2 trauma center.

I have always enjoyed traveling so doing it on a motorcycle is just a bonus.

Business for the chapter. The Constitution and Bylaws are attached for review. No changes were proposed at the February gathering. If you want to propose any changes you need to email or contact me prior to the March gathering.

Respectfully your Director Jean



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Light at the end of the tunnel

Is this weird weather or what?

Probably don't need to move to Florida now, either. Okay, I admit I wouldn't move there anyways, but I surely don't hear that from other people. I thought, when I wrote last month's column, that we'd be in a miserable winter doldrum just itching to get out and ride. But I've seen bikes out in January!

How many of you with bikes in dealer storage tried to sweet talk the service desk into letting you 'borrow' your bike back for a quick ride? I did, and they wouldn't. This situation is making me think twice about my storage plan next year.

On the other hand, next year will probably be just the opposite with deep snow, lots of salt and frigid temps. I've been around for a while and I know how this goes, we'll pay somehow for all this mild winter weather.

Our summer ride schedule is firming up and I hope all of you get a chance to take an overnight ride this season. Load up your ride with the necessities of motorcycling and hit the road.

And don't forget to do the springtime bike inspection: Tires, oil, loose hardware all need checking before your first ride. Take it slowly at first and be cautious of drivers who are oblivious to us riders, especially in the Spring. Sand and road debris are only two of the extras to watch for in the Spring, too.

Like all of you, I can't wait. Let's ride. Now is good.

February 6, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:30M by Director Jean Callaway New Members - none present Members in attendance 33, online 8 for a total of 41 - WELCOME! Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence for those who have illness and surgeries in our chapter

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

Introduction of Austin from AHD Parts & Accessories

Austin explained a variety of parts especially targeted for the 2024 models New colors, new chassis, new CVO ST (Road Glide) with 121 output motor Harley has put out catalogs with new ways to accessory your bike Pre-made packages or a laundry list of what you want Carbon fiber front fender displayed showing how lightweight Step-up seat and sundowner with changes to the inside and condensed foam If you have any questions on how to accessory your bike, Come to the Parts Dept.

Jean Callaway -

*Reminder that you need to keep your National HOG membership current to be a FV Chapter Member. If not renewed by March chapter meeting you will be taken off facebook and other chapter events

* New in 2024 you will need to have the HD App on your phone or computer- only in digital to get points

Award levels begin at 1,000 miles, 2,500 miles, 5,000 miles and 7.500 miles for digital badge. 10,000 miles, 15,000 miles and 20,000 miles for digital badge, certificate and patch

25,000 - 100,000 miles for digital badge, certificate, patch and challenge coin Check app for participating dealerships and take picture as required for the 365 mileage program. You must have your HD credit card and App linked to receive the points and dollars * Lake Superior Ride - June 27-30

- * Great River Road Trip July 11-14
- * King Ride May 18, 2024 (Saturday)
- *Daytona has HOG sponsored check-in for commemorative gift

LOH - Donna -

*Holiday party was successful with the help of the Ladies of Harley

46 people attended with lunch on Sunday. We had on Sunday because no dates were available for a Saturday

Minute-to-minute games with prizes awarded

Poker Run Winners were MIke VanLandghen, Diane Lemke, Marcia Meidam, Charlie Janssen and Connie Weeman

Name Tag winners, White Elephant game.

The Party came in under budget by \$178, especially with the help of Amber and doing scrutinizing shopping

*Our Chapter won 7th place overall in our region with more than 30,000 more miles than last year. Members with logged in miles was 74

*For 2024 there will be no formal chapter mileage contest only random contests each month to win awards

King Ride - Saturday, May 18th

On February 15th at 4:30-5:30 we will be having an open meeting for anyone to attend at the Riding Academy to discuss the 25th Annual King Ride. Your help in many areas would be greatly appreciated.

Already Pam & Geno, Old Man & Cindy and Chi have made donations - Thank You!!! Sam has already made out the route

Safety Officer - Scott

Made announcement about A CRASH Course for the Motorcyclist at Tanner's Grill & Bar, Kimberly on Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 10-6PM. Cost is reduced to \$25 per student because of sponsored grant by WI DOT BOTS and ABATE Only a couple of spots open and were taken up before the meeting ended Next class will be April 13th in LaCrosse

Treasurer - Amber

Name Tag order will be available and turned into Norscot after the April meeting if we have the minimum. Cost is \$10 and comes in magnetic and push pin style

Dealership Updates Alyssa

* 10% off on parts and accessories, ask at the Parts Dept.

*\$50 off on Super Shocks until Feb. 20th

* Motorclothes- jewelry and jackets 30% discount ends 2/9

*Licensed clothing and items will have 30% discount starting 2/10. Shoot cupid arrows and Hunt a Heart

*2023 models are available with up to 1.99% APR and other discounts, Ask your Sales Representatives

Miscellaneous -

* Norscot catalog is still available for anyone interested in getting merchandise - must pay upfront

*Bryan explained an event of indoor golf, bowling and other sports - we can cater food in, free drink ticket with each simulator game scheduled by person.

8 people can be on each simulator

*Mike Smith if planning a pre-sturgis ride - contact him for details

*Great Lakes Rally in Chippewa Falls Ride is planned by Stephan, See his event on facebook *RUSH Ride is June 16-21 and quota is filled

*Midwest Ladies ride to Woodstock in Illinois is 1st weekend in May and coincides with May Women's Month

* Frogg Luncheon

Feb. 14 luncheon will be at El Jaripeo at 1727 Freedom Rd, Little Chute 54140 March 13th will be at Hometown Pub & Grill, 153 Main St., Campbellsport

Meet & Greet - Kaye Rogers

Feb. 27th Cranky Pat's , 905 S. commercial St. Neenah at 5:45 PM and eating at 6PM

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Coffee Fund - Monies collected was \$84.00 with \$42.00 going to the chapter general fund. Winner number one was Scott Boehlen of \$21.00, and second winner was Sam Tomoszewski of \$21.00 Congratulations!!!

Big Bin Winner - Amount for Feb 6th of \$25.00 was Cindy Siegel who was in attendance. Amount for the March 5th meeting will be \$25. Meeting adjourned at 7:32PM FVchaptermins02062024

Annual Chapter Holiday Party was organized by LOH.

The day began on Sunday, January 28, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. at Capital Center in Appleton. This year was a Sunday afternoon because there was no availability on a Saturday evening. 46 members signed up to attend this fun afternoon of good food, great socializing and fun games.

After our delicious lunch at Capital Center, a few door prizes were randomly drawn at various times between announcements. All attending members selected their surprise gift card bag. The gift cards ranged in value between \$20 and \$25. Amber Boehlen is a great deal shopper, she found deals through various resources (Woodward communication, Groupon, etc.) where sometimes she could purchase 2 and get 1 free and other deals.

There were five "minute to win it" stations where attendees went around and played games to receive a prize ticket for that station. At the end a random ticket was drawn for each station.

- Solo Cup Balloon blow hosted by Jean Callaway. You blew a balloon up and let the air out to blow a upside down cup down the table as many times as you could. Winner: Sean Wilkinson
- Snow Blowing hosted by Jane Eastman. Upside down cups with cotton ball on top. The player blower had to know the cotton ball off the cup. Winner: Cory Wilinski
- Blindfold Bow Pickup hosted by Diane Lemke. The player scoops up as many bows with a spatula into a bowl. Winner was Alyssa from the dealership.
- Snowball Olympics hosted by Amber Boehlen. Player bounces ping pong balls at a muffin tin to get 3 or 4 in a row. Winner was Mark Duvernal
- Hungry Hungry Reindeer hosted by Donna Van Landghen. Players put solo cups on their hands and scoop up marshmallows into a bowl. Winner was Scott Boehlen

Members who turned in the 2023 participation cards were placed in a bowl for random prizes drawn and received a gift card. (Need names from Jean)

The 2023 riding season poker stop winners were announced by Cindy Siegel.

Attendees that wore a name tag received a ticket when they arrived. Donna Van Landghen donated Culver gift cards for a concrete mixer or a custard cup. Random drawing winners were Jane Eastman, Julie Johnson, Mike Van Landghen (who passed on gift card) Gene Schultz and Diane Lemke

2023 Chapter mileage winners were drawn by the various categories and fuel gift cards handed out. (see the mileage results)

The traditional White Elephant was last to have fun and laughs. The Jean Callaway twist is select and open with oven mitts. There were several gifts that were stolen, some that Well...let's just say are not. Be aware what comes around, goes around.

We all had a great afternoon. Thank you all for attending. Donna Van Landghen and LOH Hostesses

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Ride 365 (National Mileage)

Our Chapter Standings National Total Rank 50 National Average Rank 104 Market Region Rank 7 466,953 miles. 2022 Ride 365 we ranked 7 as well with 436,660 miles. # 1 was St Charles Missouri Chapter with 2,072,146 miles.

	Female Riders	Male Riders	Retiree Riders
Random miles > 6000	\$20	\$20	\$20
Random miles 3000 - 5999	\$20	\$20	\$20
Random miles < 2999	\$20	\$20	\$20
Random	Passenger \$15		
	Summer Surprise Ride \$15		
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	Female Riders	Male Riders	Retiree Riders
Random miles > 6000	Cindy Debrozzo	Scott Boehlen	Charlie Janssen
Random miles 3000 - 5999	Jody Scheffler	D Brunover	Dennis Robbins
Random miles < 2999	Shelly Sternhagen	Sean Wilkinson	Brian Becker
Random	Lexi Smith		
	Summer Surprise Ride \$15		
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If you did not receive your gift card, please stop at the dealership-clothing desk to pick it up from the chapter binder.

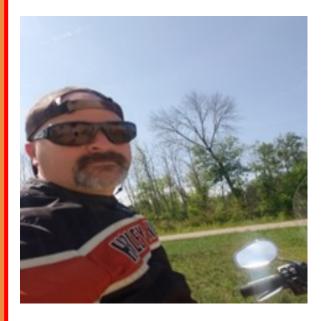
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Currently

Fox Valley HOG

Membership Officer





My hometown is Crivitz WI, I currently live in Weyauwega WI

My Goal is to grow with the chapter and make riding an enjoyable experience for all.

Recent Achievements, Road side assistance and rather soon ROC training

Hobbies also include Fishing

Let's ride !!!!

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS FOR THE FOX VALLEY WISCONSIN HARLEY OWNERS GROUP

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE NO. 1

All members of this chapter will follow and adhere to the "Charter For Local Chapters" set forth By the Harley owners group international office, Milwaukee, Wisconsin and any additional "articles of constitution and bylaws" as deemed necessary by a majority vote of active members of this chapter. Changes to the chapters constitution and bylaws must be done according to the following procedure:

1. Proposed change must be submitted in writing to the chapter Director.

2. The Director will forward the written proposal to the chapter sponsor. The sponsor reserves the right to approve or reject all proposals within 30 days. If rejected, the proposal will be denied and no further action will be taken

3. If approved by the sponsor, the proposal will be brought up for discussion at the next two consecutive meetings. Following discussion at the second meeting, a vote will be taken. A majority of all members present and virtual at the meeting will carry the vote.

Articles related to the elected and appointed officers of the chapter will follow the H.O.G. Charter. Those articles listed in the Fox Valley Wisconsin chapter Inc. Bylaws are in addition to the H.O.G. Charter.

ARTICLE NO. 2

The duties of the Director shall:

Uphold National HOG charter Coordinate chapter officers responsibilities Preside at meetings of the chapter

ARTICLE NO. 3

The duties of the assistant Director shall:

Promote membership, membership orientation, and membership retention Keep members informed of HOG programs

ARTICLE NO. 4

The duties of the secretary shall: Keep a record of all chapter meetings

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ARTICLE NO. 5

The duties of the treasurer shall: Collect and disperse chapter funds

ARTICLE NO. 6

The duties of the road captain shall: Assist in route planning

ARTICLE NO. 7

The duties of the ladies of Harley officer shall: Encourage women members to take part in chapter activities

ARTICLE NO. 8

The duties of the safety officer shall: Provide safety information to members

ARTICLE NO. 9

The duties of the editor shall: Organize written material for the chapter, such as newsletters flyers and press releases

ARTICLE NO. 10

The activities officer shall: Administer chapter events

ARTICLE NO. 11

The duties of the membership officer shall be: Based on H.O.G. Charter

ARTICLE NO. 12

The duties of the Webmaster officer shall be: Based on H.O.G. Charter

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ARTICLE NO. 13

The duties of the chapter photographer shall be: Based on H.O.G. Charter

ARTICLE NO. 14

The primary elective officers; Director, assistant Director, treasurer, and secretary, will be filled at an annual election to be held during the December meeting of each year. All other positions will be filled by volunteers. If there are multiple volunteers seeking a position, the position will be decided by vote. If there are no volunteers, the position may be left open if not a primary officer.

All officers shall hold office for one year, beginning January 1, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Voting for officers shall proceed as follows:

- Only active members are eligible to vote. (An "active member" must be current members of both the chapter and national HOG.)
- The offices will be voted on one at a time in order of: Director, Assistant Director, Treasurer, and Secretary. All other offices will follow.
- If a member accepts nomination for more than one office, their name will be dropped from the remaining ballots if he/she is elected to an upper office
- In person and virtual votes will be tabulated at the December chapter meeting those participants online may vote at the time of the meeting.

ARTICLE NO. 15

The regular meeting of this chapter shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The_Director or primary officers may call a special meeting at any time by advance notice.

ARTICLE NO. 16

Any majority number of active members at a regularly scheduled meeting shall constitute a quorum for transaction of chapter business.

ARTICLE NO. 17

The first 26 paid members will be considered charter members.

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BYLAWS

NUMBER 1. Roberts rules of order shall govern the parliamentary proceedings of this chapter unless provided in the bylaws.

- 1. Report of officers
- 2. Unfinished business

New business

NUMBER 2. Spouses or riding partners may attend functions without becoming members for a maximum of 3 times before joining the chapter . Nonmembers are not eligible for chapter prizes.

NUMBER 3. Individuals interested in becoming members may attend three meetings before joining. After a verbal commitment to join they have until the next scheduled meeting to pay the dues, if applicable.

NUMBER 4. Membership will run from January 1 to December 31 of the calendar year. Chapter dues are \$12 per year. Those that join in November or December will be exempt from paying dues. Promotional Chapter membership for the first year will be given to new National HOG members if new to Fox Valley WI HOG.

NUMBER 5. The Director should be made aware of all bills that are paid. Any abnormal purchase over \$100 must be preapproved by the membership at a regularly scheduled monthly meeting.

The treasurer must sign all checks. If the treasurer is unavailable the Director may sign a check in an emergency situation. *The treasurer and Director will have access to a debit card to cover chapter expenses.*

Bank statements must be audited by the *director and one other officer quarterly at the officers meeting*.

NUMBER 6. The Sponsor / Representative will have access to all chapter financial records when/if requested by the sponsor or representatives.

NUMBER 7. When the ride reaches its final destination and the kickstands are down the ride is considered over.

NUMBER 8. All Fox Valley Wisconsin HOG chapter rides are drug and alcohol free. Appleton Harley Davidson, HOG and the Fox Valley Wisconsin HOG chapter have a zero tolerance policy.

Consumption of altering substances prior to or during breaks on a scheduled ride is prohibited.

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for sure

Officers 2024

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Comings and Goings

A look a little farther into the Future and Other Tidbits.

Member's tips and trips and events that might interest you.

SAVE THE DATES!

Appleton Indoor Golf Soon!

Great Lakes Rally June 6-8, 2024 Chippewa Falls, WI

Lake Superior Ride June 27-30

Mississippi River Ride July 11-14

Sturgis August 1-11, 2024

Next month—let's ride!

<u>Officer's Meeting</u>: 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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