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# all about the Ride

## Director - Warren McDonald

Welcome to the February edition of our Chapter newsletter, This will be the first newsletter with Renegade Harley Davidson as our sponsoring dealership. By now most if not all our members know that RENEGADE has been sold and is now Renegade Harley Davidson. What that means to us is that we will still be seeing the same folks we have been, only now we get to add some new faces to our group. I have had the pleasure of meeting with both Ty Harris and



Chad Anderson who are heading up management at Renegade, both are enthusiastic about being in Springfield and about our HOG Chapter. There are a lot of exciting plans ahead for both the dealership and our chapter that I am looking forward to sharing with you. Stop by and get acquainted with our new home.

In the mean time things continue to go forward, our Social meeting is February 13<sup>th</sup> at the upper building at Renegade, gets underway at 10am. We will have a lot of information for you, the Ladies of Harley and Activities Officer have been busy with plans for us, such as the shooting outing at Sound of Freedom in Ozark that follows the meeting. You will hear about a lot more at the meeting.

Have you seen the new web site yet? Sherry has been very busy getting this up and running, I'm sure she will have more on this.

While it is only February we have managed to log a few rides, as the Weekday Riders have been on the road. Tom N is adding a 5 day ride to Track the Trace, riding the Natchez Trace, departing on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March, Tom will have all the info at the meeting. It is coming up in a hurry, let's go.

One last reminder that coming up in March is the next hearing date for Douglas Dale in Ozark. Please keep this in mind and plan on attending, we'll get the date and time out as soon as possible.

I am sure there is more, hopefully I'll get it into the weekly E-blast.

See you at the meeting, be safe!

#### Warren



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NEXT INFORMATION AND SOCIAL MEETING: 10:00 am February 13, 2021 RENEGADE Harley Davidson

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING: 6pm Dinner / 7pm February 23rd Big Whiskey's 900 Old Towne Ave. Republic Missouri

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# **RENEGADE Harley-Davidson Sponsoring dealer page**



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Important Dates: <u>Feb 20</u> Spin the Wheel! <u>Feb 22</u> Pan America Virtual Reveal <u>March 13</u>

Indoor Poker Run

Check our website for more events to come!

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# Assistant Director – Shaun Davis

#### Hello Everyone,

Here we are into the second month of 2021 with a lot of changes already. Hopefully, everyone has heard by now that our dealership has changed hands. With that change, I am sure there will be some exciting changes and as always there will be a few not so exciting. Warren and I have had an opportunity to meet Chad Anderson - V.P. of Harley-Davidson Operations - Ty Harris -General Manager and we are looking forward to working with them when we get a chance. They have informed us that one thing will not change, we will still get to work with the awesome Hannah for all our needs. They have also settled our fears about where we are going to meet the rest of the year by telling us that the current room we have been using at the dealership is ours to use. Next, both Warren and I have been contacted by the sister chapter belonging to Frontier Harley-Davidson. They are very excited about coming down to ride with us and having us come up there and ride with them.

Other exciting things, have you noticed all the activities that the

awesome Kasandra has been getting on the calendar. The Axe Throwing was awesome. We had great food, great company, and lots of laughs. We have a "Three Amigos" night coming up, with a salsa challenge. I cannot wait, I am sure my taste buds will be shot by the end of the night, since we have some great cooks both men and women. She has a lot of rides coming up, but it is hard to talk about those rides since I am typing this with it being 12 degrees outside. Also, have you been to the dealership and checked out our H.O.G. TV? All the pictures have been updated, so stop by and see if you are in there and let's see if we can figure out who is in there the most.

The week day riders are off to a great start with 5 rides for 3,636 miles. I am chomping at the bit to get our first weekend ride of the year in.

Stayed tuned for all the exciting changes and all the awesome rides coming up. If you haven't seen it yet Tom Newman has a great 4 day ride on the Natchez coming up in March if you're available, it should be a great ride. He is trying to revive his Glacier National Park Ride in July and stay tuned for that. Just spoke with Dave Kelley and he is planning us a nice 4 day toward the end of



June. I hear the Field of Dreams may be involved. The saying goes Plan (build) it and they will come. That is a lot of info for this month, Come to the meeting for more information I may have forgotten about.

Your Assistant Director *Shaun* 

Keep up with Renegade Harley-Davidson dealership events on Facebook by visiting www.facebook.com/renegadehd



## Treasurer - Jeanne Randall

I was listening to the news the other day and the commentator spoke the following quote, "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." It so impressed upon me that I couldn't stop thinking about it. Usually when something gets stuck in my head I begin to think how I can apply it to my life. "Do what you can," What is it that I can do? I can visit a fellow biker who is home bound. I can text a friend words of encouragement. I can even do a small thing as smile at someone. "With what you have," What are my abilities? I can do many things, talents that come natural to help someone who is in need. "where you are." I am in my family,

neighborhood, and in different social groups. I can be present in their lives. The climate that surrounds us may be tumultuous, but our demeanor can be a calming affect on those around us.



Do remember that our new chapter T-shirts are safety green. We have several in stock at \$25.00 each. We also have a few of



the previous black shirts left, also \$25.00. You can also purchase chapter patches and rockers. Don't forget the Raffle for the beautiful king size Harley T-shirt quilt, made start to finish by our own Nancy McDonald. Tickets are \$25.00 each. See me for these items.

Jeanne

# Safety Officer - Gregg Randall



BEST PRACTICES FOR GROUP RIDING Part One of Three

The camaraderie of our HOG chapter is found in group riding. It is one of our main core values. I think the other core value centers around food! However, it's important to understand the etiquette and best practices of group riding so you can do your part to help keep everyone in our Chapter safe and make the group ride enjoyable for everyone around you. Over three issues I will address the various practices of group riding. The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) and the American Motorcycling Association (AMA) also offer additional safe riding information. HOG, the official riding club of Harley Davidson, have a number of factors to consider when planning or participating in a group ride. Here are their suggestions for making our rides safe and successful. *Italicized wording represents our* Chapter's additional practices for safe group riding.

#### PLANNING THE RIDE

Anyone can plan and/or lead a Chapter ride. However, it is a good practice to include a Road Captain on the ride. It's always a good idea to prepare a map of the route with all the stops indicated. If some bikes become separated from the group, they can catch up at the next stop.

• If you're not out for a scenic ride, plan the most direct route to an event or activity. Interstate highways offer the following advantages:

All traffic is moving in one direction.

No cross-traffic or traffic lights to split up your group, if possible.

• When there are three lanes, it is wise to travel in the middle lane. This allows faster traffic to pass and will

also allow vehicles to enter/exit the highway more easily.

• If you're out for a scenic ride, be sure traffic conditions will allow it.

• Plan stops to avoid gravel lots and left-hand turns. No one likes gravel, and in a group, it's even less fun. Right-hand turns in and out of stops will help the group stay together.

• Plan gas stops at least every 90 miles, so folks with smaller tanks can fill up and stay with the group. *We often make comfort stops sooner than this.* 

• If you have a large group stopping at a restaurant, call the restaurant far enough in advance to allow them to prepare for a large group. Choose and maintain a comfortable pace within the speed limit.

• Keep in mind that people at the end of the group may have to ride a little faster to keep up if there are gaps in the group.

• It may also may cause a problem to ride too slowly. Drivers in vehicles behind the group may become impatient and try to get around the group.

• Know the route well enough so that you can give the group plenty of notice that you are approaching a turn.

• Always signal your intention to turn or change lanes. If you find yourself at an intersection too quickly for the entire group to make the turn safely, continue until you locate a place where the entire group can execute the turn safely.

• It's always a good practice for one or two riders within the group to carry a small emergency First Aid kit.

• Conduct a pre-ride meeting. The ride leader and/or Road Captain will

get together with all the riders beforehand to talk about things like ride strategy, stops and ride length. Appoint someone to ride sweep. It is also the time to remind everyone regarding the hand signals our chapter uses. This is very important for any guest rider or newer members; it is also a good refresher for the seasoned member too!

Following these best practices within our Chapter will help keep our entire group on the same page and prepared. Remember these tips as you get ready for our next adventure on the road so that everyone can have a safe and enjoyable riding season. In the March and April issues, I will continue addressing group riding best practices from the participants perspective. Part two will address formation riding and hand signals. Part three will include non-medical and medical emergencies, and passing. In the meantime, keep the shiny side up and the rubber on the road!

Gregg



# Ladies of Harley/Photographer/Webmaster/Editor - Sherry Davis



Ladies of Harley (LOH) is a program sponsored by the Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) to support women motorcycle enthusiasts both drivers and passengers. It is not a separate organization within H.O.G., but was established to encourage women to become more active in H.O.G. and their local chapters. Remember, you don't have to have your own bike to be a LOH member. We encourage women to participate in chapter events as well as functions specifically for the ladies.

How do you become a member of Ladies of Harley?

You must first be a member of the National H.O.G., then you can join your local chapter. You can be either a full or associate member. Ladies of Harley membership also allows you

to participate in all LOH activities at various H.O.G. rallies and events. There is no additional fee to be a Ladies of Harley member. Log onto members.hog.com and check out the "Women Riders" section.

Remember that LOH is NOT for women only!!! All the activities offered during the year are for all HOG members.

#### **Chapter Photo**



Don't forget we will be taking our HOG group photo at our February social gathering. Wear your vest,

HOG chapter t-shirt, or a Harley-Davidson shirt for the picture and bring your best smile.

#### 2021 Calendar

I have 2021 calendars for sale, let me know if you would like one.

#### Website

Hopefully, you have had a chance to go to ozarkmtnhog.com to see our

new website. It's given us an opportunity to showcase our chapter with a lot of pictures. We have our monthly activities and our yearly plan posted for your convenience. Emails will continue to have the addresses and phone numbers for the events posted.

#### Facebook

If you haven't liked our Facebook page, please do. Let's see if we can promote our page more to recruit more members. Kudos to those that have been able to get out and take pictures with water towers this month so far. Keep the pictures coming!!

The next newsletter articles will be due March 10th. You do not have to be an officer to contribute to the newsletter. I would love to have extra articles to put in the newsletters.

Remember always have a smile on, you never know when I might snap a picture of you!!

(;) Sherry

# Membership Officer - Wayne Lovett

Our Chapter currently has 85 members.

At this time, if anyone is willing to share, I am looking for stories and testimonies of the joys, experiences, and benefits that membership in our local HOG family has brought you.

Shaun D. was the first to share the following:

I like to ride anytime that I can get on the bike. The thing that I like most about being a part of the Ozark Mountain HOG Chapter is the friends that the HOG Chapter has brought into my life and I'm very excited about the new memorable adventures hanging out with them is going to bring.

Please email me if you have wonderful things to share.

It is time to renew your Ozark Mountain HOG membership. The yearly dues are \$20 per member and your National HOG membership needs to be current. Attached is the chapter membership form, I will be taking membership renewals at the next chapter meeting and I will have forms available at the next meeting as well. If you have not received your 2021 sticker for your HOG membership card, please see me at one of our next meetings so that you can enjoy the benefit of 10% off licensed products at RENEGADE Harley-Davidson.

You may mail the form and dues to Wayne Lovett 1204 N 10th Ave. Ozark, MO 65721

Please make checks payable to Ozark Mountain HOG.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 951-973-8636. 2021 Membership Officer



Wayne Lovett Edward.W.Lovett@gmail.com



# Activities - Kasandra Lovett

January was a great start of the year for our Chapter. Thank you all for making the Cowboy Cookout and Axe Throwing a success! It was fun hanging out with our chapter members and getting to know each other... with some friendly competition too. A huge Thank You to the Allen's for hosting our event and grilling the burgers. We all enjoyed Paul's Award Winning BBQ Beans (at least I think they are) and Sherry's homemade burgers raised right from her farm.

# Congratulations to Laurie, our Axe Throwing Champion!







Our next event together will be on Saturday, February 20th. As we eagerly wait for the weather to get warmer, we all can enjoy a fun movie night. We will be watching "Three Amigos!" and having some Margaritas and Tacos. So mark your calendars and come join us!

#### February Chapter Events Chapter Social Meeting

February 13, 2021 at 10:00am Location: Renegade Harley-Davidson 3980 W Sunshine Springfield, MO 65807 Find out about what's going on in the chapter! Fun activities, rides and dealership exclusives. Invite someone who would be interested in joining our chapter!

#### LOH Shooting Range Outing

February 13, 2021 at 1:00pm Location: 4800 N Town Centre Dr. Ozark, MO 65721 You are invited to join us after the Chapter Social Meeting on Saturday, February 13th at 1:00pm for the LOH Shooting Range Outing. We will meet at The Sound of Freedom USA, 4800 North Towne Centre Drive, Ozark MO 65721. The cost is \$15 for the 1st shooter in a lane and \$7.50 for 2nd shooter in same lane as 1st shooter. All will have to fill out a Hold Harmless agreement to be able to go into shooting range. You may send RSVP to sherrydavis1988@gmail.com.

#### "Three Amigos!" Movie Night

February 20, 2021 at 5:00pm Location: 1889 W Ranch Rd, Nixa MO 65714 Come join us for Margaritas, Mexican Food and the 1986 American Western comedy "Three Amigos!" This is the time to make your World Famous Salsa for us to judge (chips will be provided) or you may also bring a side or dessert to share. All are invited to get together and have some good laughs. You may send your RSVP to <u>lovettfamily06@gmail.com</u> or 951-768-3905.

#### Chapter Business Meeting

February 23, 2021 at 6:00pm (Dinner) 7:00pm (Meeting) Location: Big Whiskey



900 N Old Towne Ave. Republic, MO

All are welcome to attend and hear officer updates and information about upcoming events and ideas. If you wish to have dinner, please arrive at 6pm, the meeting begins at 7pm.

Find all activities by visiting www.ozarkmtnhog.com or Facebook Events or 2021 HOG Chapter Calendar

#### Yearly Calendar and Ride Suggestions

Lots of rides and activities have been planned for 2021! There is still room available to put your ride on the calendar.  $\rightarrow$  February 27th is open for someone to schedule a ride or activity!  $\leftarrow$  Please fill out the <u>H.O.G.</u> <u>#2606 Ride Suggestion Form</u> to get your ride on the calendar or email me at <u>lovettfamily06@gmail.com</u>.

#### Save the Date!

March 6, 2021 Hog Tide Lunch Ride March 13, 2021 Chapter Social Gathering March 18-22 Natchez Trail Ride with Tom Newman March 26, 2021 LOH Bingo Night March 27, 2021 Road Captain's Safety Ride



# Activities con't- Kasandra Lovett

On January 19th, Harley Davidson brought the entire world together into a single virtual event to hear from leaders, bike designers, engineers and apparel makers that we will see this year. In addition to all the stunning colors and upgrades for motorcycles, Harley-Davidson is widening their reach to include the next generation of H-D enthusiasts with the new LiveWire Electric Motorcycle and the new Serial 1 eBicycle.



The Serial 1 eBicycle is being released this year! This electric bike is designed for city commuters and casual recreational cyclists. This product will offer 240W of power and assistance up to 20 mph.

For more details about upcoming events, call our HOG line 417-708-6993, and check the members' calendar on the website or Facebook.

#### New Colors for 2021



CVO Street Glide Sunset Orange & Sunset Black Fade



CVO Limited Royal Purple & Royal Black Fade





Look at this gorgeous Harley shirt quilt made by the talented Nancy M. It is king size and valued at \$750. You will have an opportunity to win this quilt. Tickets will be sold at each social meeting to members until July. The winner will be drawn at the Chapter picnic. Tickets are \$25 and the proceeds will go toward chapter activities.

# Help make our chapter more visible!

When you view the picture on Facebook, TAG yourself, Your BIKE, Like and Share! This will help spread the word of how much fun we have riding and with our activities. Find us at Ozark Mountain H.O.G Chapter, Springfield, MO

### Chapter Photo Challenge

We will start having a Chapter Photo Challenge each month. Each month we will pick a particular theme for you to ride to and take a photo with yourself and your motorcycle– if it can be done safely. You will post them under the Facebook post (or email them to Sherry, (sherrydavis1988@gmail.com) to be entered into a drawing at the end of each month.

A single bike, with 2-up requires only one picture and both Chapter members will get credit in the photo. Multiple bikes must submit separate photos for each bike. All entries will be entered individually for the drawing. Deadline to enter will be the last day of the Month. A random drawing will be held at the following month's social meeting.

Water Towers are the photo challenge for the month of February.

# **Member Spotlight**

# *Spotlight* on your Ozark Mountain HOG Chapter

One person at a time.



I ride a 2017 Heritage Softail two tone red, I call her Freedom. I started riding with Gregg in 1978. We started with a 350 Honda which we owned for about a year, selling it to buy a 750 Kawasaki. We moved to Maine in 1981 and a year later decided to sell it. Not until 2009 did we get the itch to ride again and bought a Sportster 1200. One day after riding on the back I said to him, I'm tired of looking at the back of your helmet and want to drive. We purchased a 2010 Ultra Classic for him. I took driving lessons in 2011 learning on a 250 Honda. The Sportster was a little overpowering for me so we bought a 250 Honda, riding it for about 6 months. One day when riding behind Gregg I felt like a little bumble bee buzzing behind his Ultra Classic, so then and there I thought it was time to graduate to the Sportster which I named Liberty. In 2014, we moved to Missouri where the riding season is much longer than in Maine. One day in 2017 we walked into RENEGADE where I saw the most beautiful two tone red Heritage Softail. Love at first sight. Gregg bought it for me and I said good-bye to Liberty, hello to Freedom.

One of my most memorable rides was to Niagara Falls with several of our Maine biker friends. We lodged on the Canadian side of the falls. It was great! I also enjoyed the Blue Ridge Parkway. My favorite part was the Shenandoah Valley. I would like to do that again some day.



I have had several secretarial/bookkeeping jobs. My last position as Executive Administrator was at Northern New England District Council A/G for 27 years. I am now retired, but still enjoy secretarial/bookkeeping work. My favorite TV programs are Doctor Who, NCIS and Blue Bloods. I am presently a volunteer for Integrity Home Care and Hospice where I make lap quilts for their clients. I am very involved in my church, volunteering in different departments. I enjoy crafting, sewing, baking and riding, of course. My days are full, I like to be busy.



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*"It's the Journey, Not the Destination"* 



Several of our officers will be attending the Regional Officer Connection Virtual Training at the end of February. If you have any questions you would like the officers to ask, please let one of them know to put your question on the list.

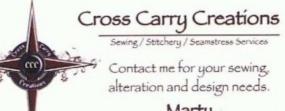
Some of this year's topics include creating fun Chapter rides and events to engage with members, how to recruit and retain members and how to strengthen the bond between your Dealer and the Chapter. It should be an interesting way to gain great ideas from fellow Chapters across the nation.

#### Support those who support the Chapter



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# Schedule of Adventures...

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 02/13 MONTHLY CHAPTER/SOCIAL MEETING CHAPTER PHOTO TAKEN
- 02/13 LOH SHOOTING RANGE OUTING
- 02/17 RIDE PLANNING/POOL TOURNAMENT 02/20 "THREE AMIGOS!" MOVIE NIGHT
- 02/20 THREE AMIGOS: MOVIE NIGH 02/23 CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING

#### MARCH

03/06 HOG TIDE LUNCH RIDE
03/13 MONTHLY CHAPTER/SOCIAL MEETING
03/18-22 TRACKING THE TRACE RIDE
03/23 CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING
03/26 LOH BINGO NIGHT

