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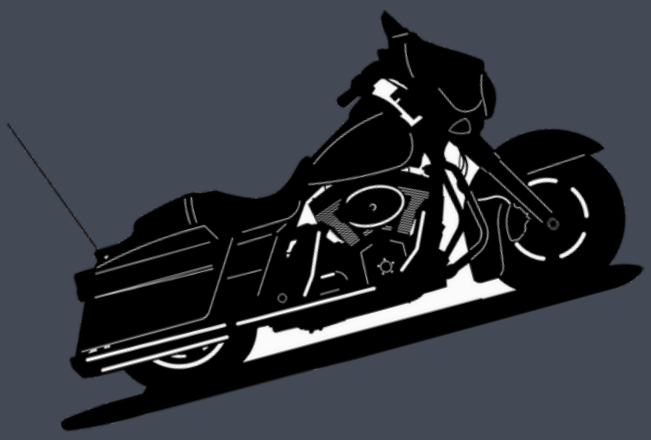
IT'S ALL ABOUT THE RIDE



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Director-Warren McDonald

It is amazing to me how fast time slips past, seems like only a day or so ago that I was writing the last article and here we are again!

By now you have most likely heard that our Chapter did not get the HOG Rally for next year, it has been awarded to the St. Charles folks. They did say they liked our proposal and would hold on to it for possible future use.

Just to give you a heads up, the Friday Fun Run scheduled for August 19th has been canceled, or I should say replaced with the Springfield Cardinals Game on the 19th. On to other things.

It has been a while since I mentioned any of the benefits of being a H.O.G. member so here is one or two for you. First there are two Mileage Challenge programs, your lifetime total miles where you earn patches and badges for total miles and the Ride 365 Challenge that is an annual event. Well, that's just the beginning. For example, some of the other benefits are free admission to the Museum in Milwaukee, just show your membership card. Or how about the trip planner on the website, type in your desired start and destination and get a detailed route and you can include dealer location, hotels as well as points of interest, you can even have the route avoid major highways, point is that it is easily customized to your wishes. I have used this a lot since Nancy and I traveled a lot on the bike (I guess this is where I should remind you about the Roadside Assistance program provided with your membership if the unthinkable thing happens while on your trip). There are more but we'll discuss them at another time. On to other topics!

By the time you read this the Chapter Picnic will be over, and I hope everyone had a good time with all the food, fun and games (did I see Charles grilling chicken?). Now on to the rest of the riding season, even if it is hot!!!

Although it is only August, you will be surprised just how fast the seasons change and we will be talking about the Christmas Party again. We think we have a good one scheduled for you so start thinking about getting your tickets early.

Be safe out there,
Warren

August 19th Bikers & Baseball

Join us for our first ever Bikers & Baseball Event! We will be riding from the store to the Springfield Cardinals game! Tickets include a seat in the redbird roost, a free cardinals hat, all-inclusive ballpark food & drink (non-alcohol), and a firework show at the end of the game!

Thursday Night Thunder - 70s Night

August 25th 6 pm- 9 pm

Join us for a groovy night at Renegade Harley-Davidson! We are bringing back the 70's with our 70's/Tie dye theme!
We will have music providing by DJ Will, BBQ by our HOG Chapter, and beer! Wear your tie-dye and come on out!

August 27th Saturday Morning Scoot

Donuts and coffee will be provided for the early birds. We'll take a short ride through the Ozarks and end up back at Renegade H-D!
Kickstands up at 9:30am!

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Spotlight on your Dealership Staff

Name: Nathan Nolen, "Nolen"

What department do you work in and why did you choose this area? I work in service as a Motorcycle Technician and I know it is going to sound corny, but it has legit been my dream to work on motorcycles since I was knee high to a grasshopper.

How long have you worked at the dealership? I started here in February 2022.

Do you ride a motorcycle and if so what do you ride? Of course, I ride motorcycles. I have my favorite bike of all time, which is a Sportster, but I also have a Dyna and a few Jap bikes.

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What is your favorite destination? This one is going to be hard and long winded. I've done two really cool trips. My first, I rode a rigid mounted sportster from Jefferson City, MO to New York and back. The trip back was a one shot, only stopping for fuel. This past weekend I went on a really cool trip to Laredo, Tx. We stopped at Corpus Christi, camping on the ground by the roadside, which really freaked Kim out. But, if I had to chose one destination, it is actually in Missouri, in McBaine. There is this huge Burr Oak tree which is one of the oldest in it's species in the world, standing for over 400 years, it's gone through floods and was passed by Louis and Clark. I like to ride out there at sunset, drink a beer, watch the sunset go down with that big ass tree in my view. It is really cool.

Is there anything else you would like to share ex. hobbies, interests, motorcycle story? My biggest hobby is motorcycles, which takes up the majority of my time. But I was asked to give a little military history so I will. I joined the Army when I was 17 and have been in for 13 years now. I have done multiple tours in the Middle East, spending time in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Kuwait. My primary role in the military was crew chief on helicopters. I've worked on both Apaches and Blackhawks, spending time as part of a flight crew and door gunner. I have gotten to see a lot of really cool things in my military career, both on the ground and in the sky. I currently work at the AVCRAD as a staff sergeant and I am in charge of the aviation maintenance training program (AMTP) where I teach lower enlisted soldiers how to work on helicopters.

Also at Renegade, I am currently the photo bomber, and also an ordained Minister and somebody here has requested my services.

Assistant Director- Shaun Davis

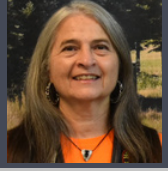
Hello Everyone,

A new member had a good question about clothing. We do not have a policy on what you can or can't wear while attending activities or riding with our group. We do, however, suggest not to wear offensive items, but otherwise you can choose to wear Harley-Davidson branded items or not. Usually, people find what works for them and use it. What I might wear for a vest might not be the style of the next person and that's okay. We don't require people to wear anything showing they are HOG chapter members since we are not a motorcycle club. We are a riding club which means we love to get out and ride. H.O.G.'s most important rule: Keep it simple and keep it fun! Riding time is the best time you can spend with members.

Talking about rides, ride leaders consider the fuel capacity and mileage range of a wide variety of motorcycles that are likely to participate when planning fuel stops for longer Chapter rides. Fuel capacity of Harley-Davidson motorcycle models ranges from as little as 2.2 gallons for some Sportster models up to 6 gallons for the newest Touring models, with fuel mileage ranging from under 100 miles to as much as 250 miles or more. Plan for shorter intervals between fuel stops on group rides to avoid rider range anxiety. We have had new members join with different fuel requirements and this is important to remember when planning a ride.

We are making good strides in turning in mileage for the Ride 365 Challenge. Right now we are 7th in our region with 198,778 miles. Keep turning in those miles so you help out the chapter as well as earning points in your Chapter Riders Challenge Book.

Till next month your Assistant director,
Shaun



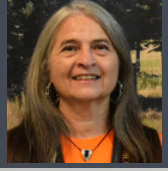
The HOG Four Corners Ride

The Four Corners rules are simple, you have 21 days to ride your motorcycle to these four cities around the country; Blaine, Washington, Madawaska, Maine, Key West, Florida and San Ysidro, California. You may start in any one of the corners, any time of year that you want, taking any route you wish.

The **Northernmost point** in the Continental 48 states is Madawaska, Maine. Madawaska, which has been tied to the St. John River for centuries. The river brought Native peoples to the St. John River valley, where they lived, hunted and fished. Later, the first Acadians came to what became Madawaska. The Acadians – French settlers of early Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island – faced prejudice and even exile from the dominant British. In 1785, a group of Acadians decided to find a new home. They paddled up the river, chose a spot, and landed. Their children have flourished in the St. John Valley ever since. Many folks there still speak French. The town is a border crossing to Edmundston, New Brunswick, Canada. We visited there and America's first mile in 2013 with our Big Moose HOG chapter.

The **Southernmost point** in the Continental 48 states is South St., Key West, FL Follow US 1 south until you can drive no further. The Southernmost Point stove-like marker stands at what is supposedly the furthest south tip of Key West. Although painted like a buoy, the monument is actually a very heavy piece of concrete storm drain. It replaced the sign that used to mark the spot -- and kept being stolen -- in 1983.

While there, some of the other places to visit in Key West are: Duval Street is a great place to begin your Key West adventure. You can walk, bike or ride along the 1.1 mile, tourist-friendly street. It is a great place to see the cultural diversity that makes Key West so interesting. Visit Ernest Hemingway's house. The Key West Lighthouse with its 88 steps to get to the top.



Treasurer- Jeanne Randall

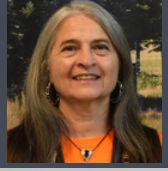
The original lighthouse was built in the 1800s, but only barely survived the hurricanes that struck over the years. It has since been restored and is now a complex that includes a lighthouse museum. Key West is home to the only living barrier reef in North America where sea life is abundant. In addition, there are several shipwrecks to explore. Or visit a beach with an estimated 1,200 miles of coastline 825 miles are beaches.

The **Northernmost point** is Blaine, WA. The city's northern boundary is the Canada–U.S. border; the Peace Arch international monument straddles the border of both countries. Since Blaine is located right on the border with Canada, it is the northernmost city on Interstate 5.

The area was first settled in the mid-19th century by pioneers who established the town as a seaport for the west coast logging and fishing industries, and as a jumping off point for prospectors heading to British Columbia's gold fields. Blaine was officially incorporated on May 20, 1890.

The **Westernmost point** is San Ysidro, CA, a district of the City of San Diego, immediately north of the U.S.-Mexico border. It neighbors Otay Mesa West to the north, Otay Mesa to the east, and Nestor and the Tijuana River Valley to the west; together

these communities form South San Diego, a practical exclave of the City of San Diego.San Ysidro, along with the rest of South San Diego, was annexed by the city of San Diego in 1957. San Ysidro is home to the fourth busiest land border crossing in the world. It is the second-busiest border crossing between two sovereign nations (after the Johor–Singapore Causeway) and the busiest border crossing in Western Hemisphere.



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Chapter tri-color or silver patches and rockers are available for $20.00 each or $38.00 for a set. The small tri-color patches and rockers are $10.00 each or $18.00 for a set. You can also purchase Chapter patches in the Renegade store. We have Chapter short sleeve T-shirts in Black or Navy blue and there are still some safety green. All short sleeve T-shirts are $20.00 each. We will be ordering long sleeve shirts in medium gray, and should be available at the September meeting.
Stay alert, ride safe! Jeanne Randall, Treasurer

Membership- Wayne Lovett

Membership Update

National HOG Membership Anniversaries for July... Marcel M. (19 yrs.), Jayne P (6 yrs.), Ramona C. (12 yrs.), Denny H. (5 yrs.), Mark W. (4 yrs.), Marshall P. (1 yr.), Doug Y (1 yr.), and David W. (1 yr.).

Please join me in welcoming our new members and in celebrating the National HOG membership anniversaries of our friends. Ozark Mountain HOG is 133 members strong today. It has been exciting to watch the attendance at our social meetings continue to grow. Higher attendance results in greater fun and fellowship. Our social and business meetings also represent awesome opportunities to share your ideas about activities for the chapter and any changes you would like to propose. We love fresh ideas!

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining up with us, National HOG members may join our local chapter for an annual fee of $20 per member. I can be contacted by email, text, or a phone call. As always, we also welcome everyone to our chapter social meetings, where they can inquire about membership and activities.

If you haven't heard, in our Chapter Riders Challenge Book, there is a competition to recruit the most new members this year. If you recruit someone be sure to write your name on the back of the application so it can be marked in your book and on my records.

Wayne Lovett
2022 Membership Officer
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Activities- Kasandra Lovett

The Mid-America Rally in Dubuque, Iowa brought together 1,300 HOG members to ride and enjoy the beautiful views of the Great River Road. The theme was Hollywood Dubuque that showcased the popular Field of Dreams movie site and honored a local hometown hero Dan Hefel, who was held as a POW for 1,143 days during the Vietnam War. We did receive the red carpet treatment at Hotel Julian and a warm welcome from the Rally Committee. Next year the Rally will be in St. Charles and we look forward to going.

August Chapter Events

Chapter Social Gathering & Full Moon Ride

August 11, 2022 | Meeting @ 6:30pm
Location: HOG Room, 3980 W Sunshine Springfield, MO 65807
The Social Gathering is a time where HOG members get together to meet other members and learn about upcoming events and rides. Join us the second Thursday night of the month. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm. Karl K. will be leading the Full Moon Ride following our Social Meeting. We will ride to Smith's in Bolivar for dinner then ride home under a full moon.

Bikers & Baseball Cardinals Game

August 19, 2022 | Game Starts @ 7:00pm
Meet Location: Hammons Field, 955 E Trafficway St, Springfield, MO 65802
Join us for the first ever Bikers & Baseball Event! Tickets include a seat in the redbird roost, a free cardinals hat, all-inclusive ballpark food & drink (non-alcohol), and a firework show at the end of the game! See a Renegade Team Member for more information.

LOH Picnic Ride to Lake

August 20, 2022 | Meet @ 10:00am, KSU @ 10:30am
Meet Location: Renegade H-D, 3980 W Sunshine Springfield, MO 65807
The Ladies of Harley will be organizing a ride to Nemo Landing at Pomme De Terre Lake. This 2 ½ hour ride will take riders north passing Stockton Lake to Pomme De Terre. Bring a picnic lunch if you plan to stay and enjoy the view.

Chapter Business Meeting

August 23, 2022 | 6:30pm-8:00pm
Location: HOG Room, 3980 W Sunshine Springfield, MO 65807
The Chapter Business Meeting is the fourth Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to attend and hear officer updates and information about upcoming events. This is a great time to talk about any specific details about the chapter.

HOGwapoolza

August 27 , 2022 | Meet @ 9:00am, KSU @ 9:30am
Meet Location: Ozark Walmart, 2004 W Marler Ln, Ozark, MO 65721
We will ride over two lakes and 4 bridges, stop for lunch at Flat Creek Grill and then end the ride at Cruise Inn Throttle for a dinner cookout. Hotel Details: You do not have to stay the night to join in the fun. However, rooms are very limited, so anyone who would like to stay the night at Cruise Inn Throttle needs to call as soon as possible (417) 779-4158. Room rates range from $120-$135. Please contact Kevin Cervellere @ kfcervellere@gmail.com for any questions.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

If you would like to help with any of the following events there will be a sign-up sheet at the next Social Meeting or you may text Kasandra @ 951-768-3905. If you have signed up and are unavailable, please let us know as soon as possible. All volunteers receive Chapter Challenge Book Points for helping :)

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Member Table
BBQ
Selling Table
Jeanne R.

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

SAVE THE DATE | MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, USA

Harley-Davidson Homecoming™

July 13–16, 2023

JOIN HARLEY FOR THEIR 120TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

H-D will celebrate its 120th anniversary in 2023 with the launch of Harley-Davidson Homecoming, an annual four-day festival filled with music, food and moto-culture. The inaugural event will be held in Harley's hometown of Milwaukee, Wisconsin on July 13–16, 2023. Riders, enthusiasts, and fans from around the world will gather for this unforgettable weekend. Check out our lodging suggestions and book yours today.

https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/content/event-calendar/homecoming.html

Proactive Motorcycle Riding
THINK! Safety first! Pleasure second!

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation has a lot of good recommended suggestions for pleasurable and safe motorcycle riding. Here are a few reminders:

Be visible:
·Remember that motorists often have trouble seeing motorcycles.
·Make sure your headlight works and is on day and night.
·Use reflective strips or decals on your clothing and on your motorcycle.
·Avoid riding in the blind spots of cars and trucks.
·If possible, flash your brake light when you are slowing down and before stopping.
·Have an escape route in case a motorist doesn't see you and violates your right-of-way.

Dress for safety:
·Wear a quality helmet and eye protection. A full-face helmet provides the best protection.
·Wear leather or other sturdy, protective clothing (jacket and pants); over-the-ankle boots; and gloves. The hotter the weather, the less we pay attention to this suggestion.
·Bright clothing and a light-colored helmet increase the chances of being seen.
·Dress for a crash as well as for the ride.

Apply effective mental strategies:
·Constantly search the road for changing conditions. Use the Search-Evaluate-Execute strategy (SEE) to assess and respond to hazards before you have to react to an emergency.
·Give yourself space and time as you search for traps and escape paths.
·Give other motorists time and space to respond to you.
·Use lane positioning to see and be seen.
·Search for vehicles that may turn across your path, especially at intersections.
·Use your turn signals for all turns and lane changes. In addition, use common hand signals for greater emphasis.
·Ride as if you're invisible.
·Don't ride when you are tired or under the influence of alcohol or other drugs. Hydrate!
·Know and follow the rules of the road. Obey the traffic laws. Pay attention to the roadway signs.

Safety- Gregg Randall

Know your bike and how to use it:

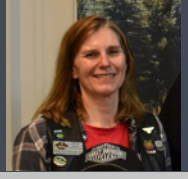
• Study your motorcycle's owner's manual and make a habit of doing a pre-ride check.
• Visit msf-usa.org to take one of their online courses or review the wealth of information in their library.
• Get formal hands-on training and take refresher courses.
• Develop your riding techniques before venturing into traffic, especially emergency braking and swerving maneuvers. Practice often to keep your skills sharp.
• Corner within your skill limits. Aggressive cornering is a major cause of crashes.
• Know how to handle your bike in adverse conditions such as wet or sandy roads, high winds, and uneven surfaces.

Ride within your skill level and situational limits. Ride leaders need to remain aware of the skill levels of individuals within the group you are leading and always remain situationally alert. Let's do everything possible to finish our riding season healthy, happy, and whole!

SAVE THE DATE
PLAN NOW FOR AN UNFORGETABLE HOG CHAPTER TOUR
July 15-29, 2023
A tour of Maine, New Hampshire & Vermont!
Including an overnight stop at Niagara Falls!

Enjoy the scenery of the NY Adirondack Mountains, the Green Mountains of Vermont, the White Mountains & Presidential Ranges of New Hampshire, and the Downeast coast of Maine. 50 Ride 1 Nation coin stops in NY, VT, NH, & ME. Includes an extra "open night & day" to explore many options of personal choice surrounding Portland; as well as an extra "open night & day" in Ellsworth in order to explore Mount Desert Island, Bar Harbor, & Acadia Nat'l Park. Watch and listen to the sound of waves crashing at Thunder Hole. Enjoy a sunrise or sunset (or both) on Cadillac Mountain.

15 DAYS; 14 NIGHTS; 4300 Miles
(Estimated cost: $3000/person, $3500/couple)
Contact you ride leader for more information: Gregg Randall



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

I write this article from Sturgis, SD attending the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. It was one of my bucket list things to do. The pieces fell into place and we were able to go to it this year. It is amazing what motorcycles can create- rallies, friendships, and an extended family. If you would have mentioned this rally to me 7 years ago, I might have known the name but didn't really understand what it was. That was my pre-motorcycle riding years. The last few years have been spent enjoying riding on roads you wouldn't normally take to get to places or going places I never dreamed I'd make it to with Shaun on our motorcycle. I've also been able to ride the Beartooth Highway (spectacular!), over the Big Horn mountains, the Million Dollar Highway (twice), the Going to the Sun Road in Glacier National Park, and through Yellowstone. We just hit 20,000 miles on our touring bike. That right there shows how much I absolutely love riding. If you think you won't get to your bucket list items, just wait and your pieces will fall into place for you too!

Ladies of Harley

Our next Ladies of Harley event is a ride to Pomme De Terre lake for a picnic lunch on August 20th. See the activities section for more details.
We will not be having supper before the August social meeting due to the Moonlight ride to Smith's restaurant.

Photographer

This month's photo challenges in our 2022 Rider Challenge Book is to take a photo with your bike with or in front of a bridge The monthly challenge is pinned at the top of our Facebook page for you to post your pictures under. You can also email me the picture and I'll post it for you. Then the next time you see me (or another officer) have us sign your book.

Editor

Remember you can earn points for your 2022 Rider Challenge Book if you write a newsletter article. All articles are due by the 5th of each month.

Sherry

What I ride: Currently, we are riding a Trike 2019 tri glide.

When I started riding and got my first bike: I started riding with my dad when I was 8 years old. In 2004, I met Charles and we started riding together on a Harley Road King.

Most Memorable Ride: My most memorable ride was coming from a run and it poured down rain and we were soaked!! Even though we got wet, it was fun.

Anything else you want to share about yourself to the chapter. Ex hobbies interests, jobs, other offices you've held, etc: I have had my career in Human Resources. Charles and I both have also owned several businesses. We currently operate a Trucking company with a fleet of 6 Trucks.

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