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From the Director's Desk

By Art Persons

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Nominations for officers ...October Meeting.....Elections in November.....Get your name if you are interested in holding a position!

Hello ADK HOG! Fall started 2 weeks ago, the summer went very fast! I led two leaf peeping rides this Fall. One to Lake Placid and one to Long Lake. The leaves hadn't changed much around Lake Placid. But were near peak on the Long Lake trip. We only have one more ride on the schedule for this season. That ride happens to be the same day as our October meeting. The Brunswick HOG/ Toy for Tots Toy Run. I will have to miss it this year! It's been a good riding season. The road captains have planned and led about 50 rides. Thanks Mike Bala, Tim Jones, Brian Irwin, Bill Nestuk and Terry Fisher.

Five of us attended Harley Davidson's 115th Birthday celebration. We had a great time checking out the entertainment Harley had to offer. The format was different than the three other birthdays I've attended. They had Hooligan racing, beach racing, drag racing and a hill climb.

The Hooligan racing is a loosely organized, indoor flat track type race. There are different classes of racers, again loosely organized. There was even a one-wheeled motorcycle in one class. Hooligan Racing is designed so average people can afford to race and have fun. The bikes are almost street legal, with very few modifications allowed.

The beach racing event was a group of riders using antique Harleys. The riders wear period correct clothes. Great fun to watch! We didn't attend the drag racing or hill climb events. There were also great bands, stunt riders, the Harley Museum, and entertainment at all the local dealerships. All five of us rode in the Parade on Sunday. One parade organizer told me they were limiting

the parade to 15,000 bikes. Harley couldn't keep the streets closed any longer. We were lucky enough to be close to the front of the parade while carrying our Chapter flags and McDermott's 115th Anniversary Flag. One You-tube video maker says he was in the parade and waited 2 ½ hrs. to leave the parking lot. We had a great time!

One the home front, At the end of our July-Aug. combined meeting, we had a great Chapter Picnic. Thanks to our Assistant Director, Brian Irwin for arranging the food and bike games. We also had a huge cornhole tournament. Thanks also to McDermott's for allowing us to use the property and providing prizes for the games. Quick reminder, our Sept. meeting was the last for 2018 at McDermott's. I hope to see you all at our Oct. meeting at the Saratoga-Wilton Elks Lodge. At that meeting we will be opening nominations for our 2019 officers, with elections at the Nov. meeting. Meetings start at 10am, so come early for The Elks All-you-can-eat Breakfast Buffett.

See you soon, Art P.



Events and Activities

by Donna Persons

Brunches are Back!

- ADK HOG's **Brunches** are back! Starting **November 4th 11am, Ambrosia Diner, Aviation Road Queensbury.**



Picnic Highlights!!

Happy Birthday!!

- **September Birthdays**
 - **Deb Bartolucci**
 - **Tim Jones**
 - **Linda Jones**
 - **Jacob Lederman**
 - **Rose Pelcher**
 - **Lisa Stipano**
 - **Raymond Stratton**
 - **Thomas Wiese**
- **October Birthdays**
 - **Mike Bala**
 - **Brad Barrett**
 - **Kenny Carpenter**
 - **Donna Persons**
 - **Paul Sicko**
 - **John Skaza**
 - **Milt Smith**
 - **Joseph Wagner**

Assistant Director

By Brian Irwin

As we come to the end of another great season of riding I would like to thank everyone who made it so enjoyable. It has truly been a pleasure serving HOG 3220 as the assistant director, a road captain, and the safety officer for such a great group of riders. We likely only have one more month of good riding weather before old man winter decides to frost our area with his magic touch. As you get out for a look at the leaves changing, keep in mind the roads may have those same beautiful leaves all over them. Use extra caution and allow for extra braking distance if you do find yourself on a leaf covered road.



I wanted to get this next bit in before the first snow this year. For those of you not getting your bike to McDermott's for prep and storage, here are few quick tips for you to ensure your bike is ready to roll as soon as mother nature lets us back out to play in the Spring.

DO NOT WAIT FOR THIS DAY!!



- Top off the tank

After putting some fresh fuel in the tank, add the recommended amount of fuel stabilizer to keep the gas from deteriorating and leaving a brown layer of muck in your fuel system. Let it run for a few minutes, so the treated fuel can cycle through. I find that if I add stabilizer at the pump and then ride it back to my house that is the perfect amount of time to get it circulated.

- Fill up your fluids

Double-check your bike's brake, clutch, and coolant fluids, replacing or refilling if necessary. Remember to always use the type and amount of fluid recommended by your motorcycle's manufacturer. You can also drain all fluids entirely and then refill them when you're ready to ride again. If you store your bike in a location where temperatures reach sub-zero, check your bike's antifreeze to prevent engine freezing. Lube up the throttle, kickstand, shifter, and clutch cables to prevent moisture accumulation and rust (but be careful not to get lube on the tires).

- Oust old oil

Over time, a running engine's oil transitions from a clean, golden fluid to dirty, black muck. The contaminants in old oil can corrode engine parts and do some serious damage over the course of a few months. Change the oil and filter before storing your ride to avoid a sticky situation later.

- Conserve your battery's charge

Most modern motorcycles experience battery drain, even when the ignition is off, to maintain the clock, radio presets, and especially those new boom system memories. You can remove the battery from your bike altogether and trickle charge it all winter. If you prefer to keep things in one package, you can store your bike with a fully-charged battery. If you choose the latter, just give the battery a charge once a month while it's not being used.

- Tend to your tires

If you can store your bike with the tires off the ground, that's great. Taking the weight off your wheels is the ideal way to avoid flat spots or uneven wear. But, if you don't have the right setup for that, you're not out of luck. Fill your tires to the maximum recommended volume and remember to rotate the front tire once a week to keep the flat spots away.

- Wax on, rust off

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Assistant Director (continued)

By Brian Irwin

The metal on your motorcycle tends to accumulate moisture, which can cause rust if your bike is left unattended for an extended period. Washing, thoroughly drying, and then waxing your ride before putting it away for the winter will prevent corrosion and other damage. Spray your exhaust pipes with WD-40 to keep moisture away. For extra protection, stuff a clean towel with one moth ball into the exhaust pipes to keep critters out.

- Pick a safe place for your bike to rest

Sunlight can damage leather and cause paint to fade, so if you have a window in your garage, try to park your motorcycle in a cool, dark corner. Go a step further with a fitted, breathable cover that'll prevent dings and scratches and protect your motorcycle from dust, grime, and moisture.

Thank you,

Brian Irwin

Your Assistant Director & Safety Officer

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Historian

By Mike Bala

Today we will be featuring a new member, **Laurie Bond**.

How long have you been riding? I got my first bike in May of 2011. It was a 2005, 883 Sporty. I rode that for 2 years and then upgraded to a 2005 1200 Custom Sportster and then in 2016 I purchased my 2015 FatBoy low. I still have my 2005, 1200 Sporty as well. I have 8 seasons under my belt.

When did you join HOG? I didn't join HOG until July 2014. I am currently a member of three HOG Chapters, Albany-Schenectady, Sacandaga and Adirondack Chapters.

How many miles do you usually ride? In the past four years I have averaged about 20,000 miles a year. However, this season I have mastered a total of 26,050 as of today 😊.

What was your favorite ride? My favorite ride was the one I took out west. Most of it was a solo ride however I managed to meet up with a friend and ride for a week with her, accumulating 8000 miles in 30 days. I rode my bike through 23 states in that time frame. It was something I wanted to do and I was able to see how strong and capable I was.

What tips would you give other riders? The only tips I can think of are to prepare for anything. Always stay alert and on your toes. Most of all don't put it off, just ride. I ride as often as I possibly can.



Head Road Captain

By Mike Bala



It's been a busy riding season and the last two months were no exception. In August we had members attend the Iron Mountain Rally in Maine and the 115th Anniversary in Milwaukee. In September we returned to Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island as we attempted to complete the NE Dealer challenge. During those trips we made new friends while visiting Boston and went to Mohegan Sun Casino where we had dinner at Margaritaville and attended Alonzo Bowden's show at the comedy club.

It's hard to believe but it is time to start thinking about next riding season. Is there a ride you want to do again or one that we have not done? Bring those ideas to the next meeting.



Alright, now time to pack for Biketoberfest. Here's a few highlights from Milwaukee!





Check out **the NEW Mileage Contest!!** You have to be in it to win it!

2018 Categories: Mile Awards

- 0-4999 \$25.00
- 5K-9999 \$35.00
- 10K-14999 \$50.00
- 15K and up \$75.00(runner up)
- Top Mileage \$200.00

Entry Fee is \$5.00 per participant. Award will be given to member with highest mileage within each range. No prize awarded if no one has a mileage within that range. If two or more members have the exact same mileage in a category, the *Director or his designee* will draw a winner.

- Random Mileage Winner Category: 3 numbers will be drawn and the member with the closest to matching last digits on their odometer wins \$25.00.
- Most Rides Attended Category: Rider \$20.00 / Passenger \$20.00

Top Mileage winner is not eligible to win that category again for the following 2 years. Example: if you win in 2018 you are not eligible again until 2021.

All other mileage categories cannot be won by the same person 2 years in a row. But you are eligible for a different category.

Lou's News! Website and Newsletter Editor

by LouAnn Bala

Looking for the next ride or club activity?

Check out ADKHOG.com. All events will be updated on the website and newsletter as they are made available.

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