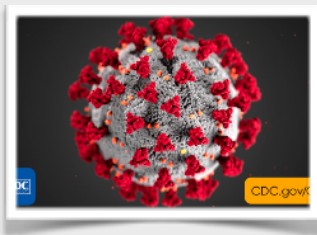


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Protect Yourself and Others

COVID-19



Coronavirus Self Checker

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

Symptoms

These symptoms may appear **2-14 days** after exposure

People may experience:

- cough
- fever
- tiredness
- difficulty breathing

The best way to protect yourself is through social distancing and hand washing.



From the Director's Desk

Hello ADK HOG! The world has become a very strange place over the last month. Someone keeps inventing weird words and phrases to try and make it all make sense. Social distancing, essential and non-essential businesses and workers, contactless delivery, and virtual classrooms are just a few. The ban on plastic grocery bags didn't last one month. Liquor stores are an essential businesses! I saw my first hamburger and chicken breasts for sale in weeks. It is still hard to find pasta on the shelves. Most stores are now limiting how much toilet paper and paper towels you can buy per day. My employer is considered essential, so I'm still working. My company makes components for several medical device manufacturers, among other things. That's enough of that!

So far, the weather hasn't been very motorcycle friendly. (If your bike is out of storage.) I've taken a couple of shorts rides so far. If you are riding, beware of the crazies out there. One of our neighbors was involved in the 4 bike crash in Corinth this week. He was the worst injured and is still in very

Happy Birthdays!!

April

Art Persons
LouAnn Bala
Tracy Stowell

May

Elise Innet
Terry Fisher
Daniel Boyce

2020 Primary Officers

Arthur Persons- Director,
Charter Member

Brian Irwin- Assistant Director
and Safety Officer, Member
since 2014

Donella Fisher- Secretary,
Member since 2015

Deb Bartolucci-Treasurer,
Member since 2017

bad shape. How do you prepare for someone deliberately trying to kill you?

The ride schedule is currently on hold. I hope the worst is over, but we still have to limit travel and there's no place open for lunch!

Our April meeting is cancelled. Hopefully, we can hold our May meeting and LOH Bike Blessing on Sat., May 16 at McDermott's. Fingers crossed! That's it for now! Practice social distancing and stay safe! Happy Easter Everyone! Art P.

P.S. Americade, Weir's Beach, and Sturgis are still a go at this time! Four months till STURGIS!

Ladies of Harley and Sunshine Officer, Donna Persons

Hi Everyone! I'm non-essential and have nothing to report this month.

Fingers crossed on the bike blessing!



Head Road Captain, Mike Bala

I want to thank everyone for their patience as we complete the ride schedule for this year. We are being advised by HOG National to not publish until local and federal guidelines indicate it is safe to lift the social distancing guidelines. Stay safe and healthy! Reminder if there are still Road Captains that have not given me their rides please do so and we will keep everyone updated on the national and local rallies!

A walk thru History with Andrew Stowell



It's April already, the 2020 riding season is getting underway. The big season kick off, the 79th Daytona Beach Bike week has already come and gone. It sure looked like everyone had a great time. As we navigate the changing landscape many things come into question and change is the only constant.

Americade, is scheduled the first week in June of every year, this year's event may be postponed, but that is yet to be determined. Normally, Americade has thousands of motorcycle enthusiasts descending on Lake George for great riding, fun events, vendors, concerts, demo's etc.

Last year, standing on top of Prospect Mountain looking down at the village of Lake George and all the activity, I could see thousands of bikes and people everywhere. It got me thinking of how many years Americade has been going on. This is the 37th year! While this seems to be a long time, people have actually been coming to the region during the summer for centuries for various reasons.

If we fire up the wayback machine and look back to July of 1755, England and France were engaged in a struggle to gain control of the new world. Fort William Henry was a key point in that struggle. The British held the fort. The French were threatening from Canada with a greater military force. In response, one of the most influential men in the colonies, Sir William Johnson assembled a force of colonial militia, volunteers and native Americans. Fifteen-thousand men marched from Johnstown NY to Fort William Henry in July of 1755 to support the English forces encamped at the fort in Lake George. If we remember our history lesson, the French were victorious and English lost control of the region.

Today, every June, thousands of motorcycle enthusiasts converge on the very spot where 225 years earlier a mighty battle took place. History is literally just under our feet as we walk around and enjoy the events at Americade. Other rallies and events throughout the season and around the country are spectacular in their own rights, but few have the connection to our heritage like we have here in the beautiful Adirondack mountains of upstate NewYork.

Assistant Director and Safety Officer, Assistant Road Captain, Brian Irwin

Fellow HOG 3220 Riders,

During this crazy year of the COVID-19 virus, I hope and pray that all of you are coming through the unprecedented turmoil we find ourselves in, unscathed. If any of you find yourselves in need of anything, please don't forget about your HOG family. I have been blessed enough to be deemed an "essential employee" to the State of New York, so I get to go out into the world every day, whether I want to or not. That said, if any of you need something, anything, do not hesitate to reach out to me or any of your HOG family members. We will endure and we will get back to a normal, hopefully sooner than later.



I am sure you are all very curious about how the ride schedule will be handled. I am sure Mike B. will be including that in his section. Please be patient as we try to comply with the social distancing policies established by our elected officials.

For those who review the chapter events listing on the official site (<https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/explore/events>), you will notice there is not a whole lot posted yet. Obviously, dealerships and event organizers are being cautious about committing to any big dollar events until some degree of certainty to this thing coming to an end can be found. That said, I am looking very forward to McDermott's venture during Americade. They are getting the HD demo truck here! Alise has it set for 6/3/20 - 6/6/20. Keep our fingers crossed that it will happen!

Another big item is the Sturgis rally in August, which many of us have already committed to. As of last week, the Mayor of Sturgis, SD assured us that they are planning to have the event and will not cancel it unless absolutely necessary. Personally, I think motorcycling is about one of the only social distancing compliant things that we can do as a group. The gas and lunch stops might be a little tough though!

Lastly, above all else keep yourselves safe so we can come together when this is done and ride as a group, again.

Thank you!

Brian Irwin
hog3220@gmail.com

Membership Officer, Tracy Stowell

Please remember to be a member in good standing you must maintain your National Membership at all times, complete a membership form annually and pay your annual dues. To check your National status login to hog.com and go to “my account”. All members must sign the annual membership form before participating in rides and member activities.

Editor, Webmaster and Social Media News, LouAnn Bala

2020 Ride 365 Challenge has started!

Ride 365 starts Jan 1 2020 and goes to Dec. 31, 2020. You can give your mileage to Alise McDermott at any time. Mileage will be verified by the dealership. You check in multiple times throughout the year but must check in at least twice to receive mileage credit.

RIDE365

LIFETIME RECOGNITION

Mileage is tracked by VIN number, therefore passengers will not receive credit. However, passengers tracking mileage through National HOG will continue to receive pins, patches and badges towards your lifetime recognition. Passengers are also eligible for the Dealership Check In challenge. To learn more log into HOG.com.



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No Minutes for March 2020. Stay Safe Everyone!

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