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## MERRY CHRISTMAS



## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Next year our centerpiece will be of a landmark, a vintage, or custom motorcycle, a member's first Harley or baby picture if you send me the pictures. You guess right you'll be in the drawing for a \$20.00 gift card.

November's Motorcycle: 2021 Ducati X Diavel Dark Star



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## CCT CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2021

December 18th

Gift Exchange &  
Pot Luck@ VFW

## CHAPTER OFFICERS 2022

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## OFFICERS UPDATES, RAMBLINGS, & WORDS OF WISDOM



**DIRECTOR**

**DEANNA THOMPSON**

**Hello HOGS!!! It's hard to believe this is the last newsletter of 2021. I think we had a very successful year. We did some new things and some traditional things, but all of them were fun. As we look towards 2022, I encourage each of you to let an officer know if you have some things you would like to see us do next year. It can be difficult for the officers to come up with new ideas, so your input is always welcome. One thing we have already discussed is bringing back a chapter overnighter!! Don't forget about the O'hell it's January party. There will be food, games and music! Get your tickets now!!!**

**I hope you all have a great holiday season and a Happy New Year!!!!**



**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR**

**BOB FRANK**



### **The Decline Of The Motorcycle Club?**

**Are motorcycle clubs dying? Almost every club has seen a decline in membership. A few clubs have folded due to lack of interest, dwindling funds, increased costs, aging members, and other factors that eventually bring the club to its knees. The club's engine seized and it was tearfully abandoned by the side of the road. "While I've belonged to a couple of brand/model associations in the past, I've only been a member of a formal MC for about 5 years. It's an enduro/race oriented club, established in 1971 and hosting several race and poker run events annually. We celebrate our 50th anniversary next year. In truth, we may already be dead but no one wants to admit it." - Brian Englund, Off Road Racer and Club Organizer Popular rally speaker. Author, and humorist Jack Riepe wrote, "Clubs aren't dying. Their members are dying. The average BMW rider is 234 years old. Millennials don't join anything, and club vacancies go unfilled. There is no sense of 'To hell with this... I may be dead by 2pm so anything goes', anymore. The new thought is, 'I paid to attend this event so entertain me.'"**

**(To Be Continued)**

**This is a teaser of an article that Bob submitted I found it very interesting and I hope you will too. I will run the article next month in it's entirety.**





**TREASURER**  
**LAURA FRANK**



**SECRETARY**  
**DAWN HUTH**

Merry Christmas!! Love this time of the year and all the fun things we do together as a group—toy runs, Santa shoot, gift exchange. It's great to hang out with friends, isn't it?

I'm looking forward to 2022 and all the fun things we'll do together. If you have an idea for a ride, or an overnigher or an event for the club, let one of the officers know. We love your input!!

Here's the Harley joke of the month:

What kind of motorcycle does Santa ride...  
A Holly Davidson!!



As always, if you ever have questions about Chapter finances, just let me know.

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To Everyone,  
have a safe and joyful Christmas and a  
Happy New Year



**LOH OFFICERS**  
**CINDY ARANDA**  
**BONNIE SEVERSON**

Happy Holidays!!!



**PHOTOGRAPHERS**  
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**FELICIA CANO**

Mele Kalikimaka!!!

# **CCT'S GIFT EXCHANGE & POT LUCK**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 18TH**

**11:00 AM- 2:00 PM**

**@ VFW (DOUGIES)**

**CHAPTER'S PROVIDING TURKEY &  
HAM BRING A DISH FOR THE  
POT LUCK**

**BRING A WRAPPED GIFT,  
ONE GIFT PER PERSON  
\$30.00- \$35.00 VALUE**

**ONCE UNWRAPPED, GIFTS ARE OPEN TO BE  
STOLEN TWICE**





## MEMBERSHIP

### RODNEY FISH

### KRISTI FISHER

Is it just me, or is the older I get, the faster the year goes? Less than 2 weeks until Christmas and I haven't bought one present. Procrastination is not paying off!!

I've said it before, but it needs repeating, This Chapter is Awesome! So many fantastic people who step up when needed, friendships we develop both within the club and outside in our everyday lives. Thank you to those who have volunteered at our functions and those who serve as officers. I hope you all know you are greatly appreciated.

We had above average participation this past weekend with the Santa Photo shoot, Bake Sale and Chili cookoff. I could be wrong, but I think that was the most baked goods I've seen since I started with the Chapter. The chili's were very tasty (congrats to the winners), Brandy stepped in and did an awesome job with photos, and I can't say enough about Rodney who does an outstanding job of playing Santa. I know one of my grandsons is convinced he is the "real" one!

In conclusion I want to Wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New Year. Let's make 2022 one of the best! Ride On CCT!!

Kristi





**WEBMASTER**  
**MICHELLE HERDT**

**"My prince charming doesn't ride a horse...he rides wheelies."**

**— Anonymous**

**"If you want to be happy for a day, drink.  
If you want to be happy for a year, marry.  
If you want to be happy for a lifetime, ride a motorcycle."**

**— Anonymous**

**"You don't stop riding when you get old, you get old when you stop riding."**

**— Anonymous**

**"Bikes don't leak oil, they mark their territory."**

**— Anonymous**

**"Note to self: Never ride a motorcycle in stilettos and a miniskirt."**

**— Maggie Grace**

**"I don't really feel like going for a ride today. Said no motorcycle rider ever."**

**— Anonymous**

**"The only thing better than a streetbike.. is a woman riding one."**

**— Anonymous**

**"My first car was a motorcycle."**

**— Adam Carolla**

**"Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass: it's about learning how to ride in the rain!"**

**— Anonymous**

**"A bike on the road is worth two in the shed."**

**— Anonymous**

**Happy Holidays CCT!**

**WOW this year has flown by us, guess we were making up for the year before and how long that dragged on. Oh boy!**

**I want to Thank You all for your support & help this year it has been a pleasure serving you; I am passing the Webmaster Title on to Brandy but you will see me at the membership table each month. See you all at the gift exchange....**

**Keep safe, keep riding and keep the black side down!**

**'Chelle**

## **Molasses Cookies**

**An incredibly soft and chewy cookie, brimming with rich, deep molasses flavor and boasting of warm spices to perfectly highlight them. They're deliciously sweet and buttery and oh so addictive! A holiday staple! Servings: 24**

**Prep 20 minutes**

**Cook 20 minutes**

**Ready in: 40 minutes**

### **Ingredients**

- 2 cups (283g) unbleached all-purpose flour (scoop and level to measure)
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 2 tsp ground ginger
- 1 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp ground cloves
- 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg
- 3/4 cup (170g) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 3/4 cup (150g) packed light brown sugar
- 1/4 cup + 2 Tbsp molasses\*
- 1 large egg yolk
- 2 tsp vanilla extract

**1/4 cup (50g) granulated sugar**

### **Instructions**

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line two 18 by 13-inch baking sheets with parchment paper, set aside.
2. In a medium mixing bowl whisk together flour, baking soda, salt, ginger, cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg for 30 seconds, set aside.
3. In the bowl of an electric stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, blend together butter and brown sugar until well combined. Scrape down sides and bottom of bowl.
4. Mix in molasses, egg yolk and vanilla extract. Scrape down sides and bottom of bowl.
5. Add flour mixture and mix until combined.
6. Pour granulated sugar into a small bowl. Scoop dough out and shape into balls nearly the size of a golf ball (30g each).
7. Roll each dough ball through granulated sugar then transfer to baking sheets spacing 2-inches apart.
8. Bake one sheet at a time in preheated oven 9 - 11 minutes until cookies are puffed and appear just lightly under-baked in the center.
9. Let cool on baking sheet 5 minutes then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.
10. Store cookies in an airtight container at room temperature up to 4 days.



# **Safety Zone**



(Continued from last month...)

## **State Route 1**

### **California**

Colloquially known as Pacific Coast Highway, this north-to-south road traces practically the entirety of California's oceanic edge – making it both one of the most beautiful and heavily trafficked stretches of pavement in the entire world. It's an extremely easy ride because of slower-than-average speed limits, the fact that it cuts through a great many small towns and bigger cities, and its overwhelming popularity, but that doesn't mean it is without danger – so keep an eye out for your fellow motorists on this road. It's also important to keep in mind that, while you don't have to tackle the entire 656-mile stretch, even a short ride on PCH requires patience and a good deal of free time for proper enjoyment.

## **State Route 36**

### **California**

If a coastal cruise along one of the most famous roads in the world isn't really your style, California still has plenty more to offer. For instance, State Route 36 – which stretches just shy of 250 miles east-to-west between Fortuna and Susanville – leaves the coast out of the ride entirely, opting instead for a windy mountain route through California's famous redwoods. It's not the most difficult of motorcycle roads on our list, but we still suggest that any riders exercise caution, as the twists and turns along SR 36's mountainous path are blind in some places and it can be easy to get distracted by the scenery surrounding the asphalt.

## **Tail of the Dragon At Deals Gap**

### **Tennessee**

At 11 miles in length, The Tail of the Dragon at Deals Gap is by far the shortest ride on our entire list. But, would you believe that it's also the most challenging? Because it is. You see, this incredibly short ride manages to pack in a whopping 318 curves in that short distance – promising to be a ride you will never forget. But, unless you're extremely experienced onboard a motorcycle, we'd suggest saving this ride for another time because, as you might imagine, this devilish collection of twists and turns can be violently unforgiving to any rider out of their depth. If you're ready for the ultimate challenge, however, this is the road for you.

## **Tunnel of Trees Road**

### **Michigan**

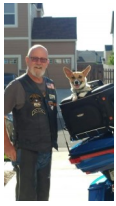
Alternatively known as M-119, this state highway traces Michigan's western coast toward the northern tip of the state's mitten-shaped southern land mass. At under 30 miles, it isn't the longest ride on this list by a long shot, but this beautiful stretch of road makes up for it with gorgeous scenery from tip to tail – especially if you take the ride during the fall when the leaves are changing. Plus, as it's a part of Michigan's greater highway system, it's easy to work this route into a larger and longer loop. It is, however, both a heavily trafficked and narrow stretch of road, so be prepared to be patient if you do take the trip.

## **The Twisted Sisters**

### **Texas**

Second only to the Tail of the Dragon at Deal's Gap, the Twisted Sisters loop in Texas is both one of the most challenging and most rewarding rides on this list. The 100-mile loop consists of three state routes – TX 335, TX 336, & TX 337 – and takes you around the Texas hill country through a series of grueling twists, turns, drops, and steep climbs. And while we'd not suggest tackling this stretch of pavement unless you are an exceedingly experienced rider, there's no denying the allure of such a challenge. For the most die-hard fans of 2-wheeled road trips, it doesn't get much better than this.





**ROAD CAPTAINS**  
**CELESTE CACCHIONE**  
**DAVE "MAD DOG" CAWLEY**

Hey CCT:

Here we are just a week or so away from Christmas and I hope you all are ready and prepared. I'm wishing you the best Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and looking forward to 2022. We're going to be planning some interesting rides & fun events. I'm looking forward to seeing you all participate again. Be safe out there if you're out there riding your bike and looking forward to the year 2022.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Madd Dog Dave

Hey CCT:

Can't believe it's December already. We have been riding until the weather got too cold. David, Ziggy & I rode 3-up on the tryke for the Toy Run on the 4th of December. The Joyful Journey Toy Run was awesome. The 2-Wheel bikers did a great job w traffic on the way to Broomfield. Very well handled. We really want to continue to participate in this run for each year to come. Excellent charity for this ride!

Then, we rode 2-up for the Children's Hospital Toy Run. Wow it was so cold, Ziggy had to stay home. It was nice to see people we haven't seen in a while. We are looking forward to our favorite CCT event, Gift Exchange.

We will still ride as the weather permits it. I know it's not a CCT event, yet everyone is invited to participate in Last Brass Nut Run w ABATE of Colorado on 31 December at 11a at Rock Rest in Golden. Come on out & get your brass nuts.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Looking forward to seeing & riding w you all in 2022.  
Blessings,

Celeste (Round About) & Biker Ziggy



# OH HELL

**IT'S JANUARY  
PARTY**



**DRINKS AT 4:00**

**BUFFET FROM 5:00-6:00**

**\$20.00 HOG MEMBERS**

**BAND @ 7:00**

**OPEN ATTENDANCE**



## **H.O.G. TOURING RALLIES**

<b>March 1-4</b>	<b>Run to the Sun Touring Rally Virginia Beach, VA to St. Augustine, FL</b>
<b>April 2-5</b>	<b>Spring Heat in Arizona Touring Rally Lancaster, CA to Scottsdale, AZ</b>
<b>May 31-June 5</b>	<b>Big Trees of California Touring Rally Bakersfield to Eureka, CA</b>
<b>June 16-21</b>	<b>A Gem of a Ride Touring Rally Boise, ID to Lindon, UT</b>
<b>July 5-14</b>	<b>Grand Museum Touring Rally Birmingham, AL to Milwaukee, WI</b>
<b>July 25-29</b>	<b>Lake Superior Touring Rally Marquette, MI to Marquette, MI</b>
<b>Aug. 15-19</b>	<b>Bay, Lakes, &amp; Mountains Touring Rally Annapolis, MD to Lebanon, NH</b>
<b>Sept 4-16</b>	<b>West Meets East 25th Anniversary Posse Touring Rally Lynwood, WA to St. Augustine, FL.</b>

## **REGIONAL H.O.G. RALLIES**

<b>April 7-9</b>	<b>Cajun Country H.O.G. Rally Scott, LA</b>
<b>June 23-25</b>	<b>Kicking It in Cody H.O.G. Rally Cody, WY</b>
<b>June 23-25</b>	<b>Chesapeake Freedom &amp; Spirit H.O.G. Rally Solomon Island, MD</b>
<b>July 14-16</b>	<b>Iron Adventure H.O.G. Rally Ludlow, VT</b>
<b>July 21-23</b>	<b>Mid-America H.O.G. Rally Dubuque, IA</b>
<b>Sept. 27- Oct. 1</b>	<b>Southeast H.O.G. Rally Maryville, TN</b>

***TOTUS VITA CONSUMPTA PARARE ITER***



Is it preordained how people meet? Our Chapter has it's share of Colorado natives but also has members from all over the country. Seems a little cosmic that we're all here at one time. I know there are a variety of reasons are why we joined. First and foremost is the love of riding, the righteous personalities that come with it add to the fun, the laughter and shenanigans that this group is capable of. As for myself, I was looking for REAL scooter people to ride with, only had a few people I rode with from work who where kinda rubs. I stumbled in to this group of characters and knew right away that I was home. Now we've been told that new people seeing us for the first time are a little intimidated by our not so HOG-like manner but if they choose to stick around they'll find a tight knit family that they are more than welcome to join. We won't condemn ya if you want to give sloppy kisses, grizzly hugs, or a handshake that cuts off the circulation to your fingers. That what we're all about. So during this time of year and this season it's all about family. So to all you, my brothers and sisters have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



**VIVERE VEHI, VEHI VIVERE**



If you have a poem, story, or something that just reaches out and grabs you on a primal level and you would like to share it send it to me.

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**LAISSEZ LES BONNS TEMPS ROULER**

The Editor

