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## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Here's hoping everyone has had a wonderful holiday season this year. Looking back at 2024, we had a good year thanks to all of you, the members. With all our different chapter rides, whether a day ride or overnight ride, there is no doubt we had a lot of fun. In addition to our rides, several of you volunteered for different activities in support of the chapter and dealership, and that support is greatly appreciated - it helps keep the chapter going!

As we move into 2025, we will be celebrating the Chapter's 35th birthday!! Let's look at doing some different activities and rides. Even though our ride planning meeting won't be until April, start thinking about rides now. We had some different experiences last year, let's see what we can come up with for 2025.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Ride safe & have fun,  
John.



2025 Primary Officers – Don, Lisa, Larry, and John

# Officer Updates

## Treasurers Report – Don Gabriel, Treasurer

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*As of November 30, 2024*

<b>Beginning Balance Checking.....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,318.61</b>
Checking Deposits.....	\$	0.00
Checking Expenditures.....	\$	(15.83)
<b>Ending Balance Checking.....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,334.44</b>
<b>Beginning Balance Savings.....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,424.78</b>
Savings Deposits.....	\$	0.00
Savings Withdrawal.....	\$	0.00
Savings Account Dividend.....	\$	0.14
<b>Ending Balance Savings.....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,424.92</b>

## Motorcycle Tips from the Safety Officer – Tony Bruno

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Outside as the weather gets cold... disbelief falls on your face as another riding year is over and it's time to put your motorcycle away for the winter months!

Essential Tips for Motorcycle Winter Storage:

1) Location ~ where are you going to store your motorcycle?

When possible, choose a location away from windows as the ultraviolet light can fade paint and plastic parts, and direct sunlight can raise the ambient temperature of the storage area which will promote condensation when the sun goes down.

2) Change oil and filter.

3) Top off the fuel tank and add stabilizer and run your bike for a few minutes to give the stabilizer a chance to mix in.

4) Surface preparation ~ wash, wax and polish your motorcycle before putting it away as the wax will act as a barrier against rust and moisture.

5) Battery storage ~ Remove the battery and/or leave the battery in using a trickle charger to keep the battery charged. Be sure to check the trickle charger every few days.

6) Don't allow rodents and pests to harm your motorcycle. Put dryer sheets and/or mothballs in your tour pack and saddle bags. Spray a light coating of WD40 into the muffler ends before putting in either muffler plugs or steel wool.

7) Tires ~ check both front and back tires making sure each tire is properly inflated. You can also put cardboard or wood board under each tire to help keep the tire up from the freezing floor.

8) Don't put your bike away naked! Give your motorcycle some clothes, for goodness sake! It's winter. Find a dust cover for your model. A good fit will give you the best chance of preventing debris from sneaking under the cover.

9) Check with your insurance company to ensure that you are covered, when storing your motorcycle at a location other than your home.

*Have an enjoyable and safe riding season,  
Tony Bruno*



## Happy Birthday to the following Chapter members\*:

\* Apologies to those we missed. Please contact Karen Tanguay so she can update our database

### October

Henry	Maheux	10/3
Karen	Tanguay	10/17
Timothy	Holden	10/21
Brent	Tanguay	10/31

### November

Jax	Guay	11/5
Sandra	Bruno	11/9
Richard	Lewis	11/9
Scott	Tanguay	11/24

### December

Tony	Bruno	12/7
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## Corporate News

# A MESSAGE FROM YOUR H.O.G.® REGIONAL MANAGER

“Membership has its benefits; participation has its rewards.” It’s a simple statement with a deeper meaning.

The “benefits” are obvious, things like pins and patches, preferred pricing, roadside assistance, and the other “stuff” you get for joining the club. The “rewards” might appear to be less tangible, but they are just as meaningful and valuable. These are the experiences, relationships, and memories we achieve by participating in the things we all love to do—riding our motorcycles and sharing fellowship with other riders. Long after the ride is over, they are the things we remember.

Not every member wins a motorcycle or 100,000 bonus points, but by taking full advantage of the benefits *and* rewards of membership, I believe they will get far more value in return than the price of a membership.

As we approach the end of riding season and head into the busy holiday season, I’d like to thank each of you for everything you do to make H.O.G. the world’s biggest and best riding club. Let’s close out the year strong and get ready for an awesome ride in 2025!



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## New Bike Deal



**Congratulations! Rita Moffatt treated herself to a Christmas present...**



## 2025 Iron Adventure Rally



2025 IRON ADVENTURE RALLY  
Save The Dates – August 21 to 24, 2025



**Grand Summit Hotel at Attitash**  
Bartlett, New Hampshire

### 2025 Iron Adventure Rally – Registration and Hotel Information

Harley-Davidson has officially opened Rally registration for next year. The 2025 Iron Adventure Rally will be in Bartlett, NH August 21-23. You can find the Rally on the Harley-Davidson website under H.O.G. Rallies or use the following link or QR Code.

[https://members.harley-davidson.com/HOG/HDMN\\_Rally\\_Details?rallyId=a1WVt000002YPqr](https://members.harley-davidson.com/HOG/HDMN_Rally_Details?rallyId=a1WVt000002YPqr)



The host hotel for the rally is the Grand Summit Hotel at Attitash, 104 Grand Summit Road, Bartlett NH 03812, Phone: 603-374-6700



# Mid-Maine HOG Holiday Party

Sunday, December 8th  
11am - 4pm at Gippers.

Cost \$20.00 / pp (members & guests)

- ❖ *Buffet Dinner in a private room with cash bar*
- ❖ *Yankee Swap / Chinese Auction will be held with \$25.00 minimum gift cost*





# SEPTEMBER 14 JACKMAN OVERNIGHT

## Scenic Road trip

Join your fellow HOG members as they journey northwest through scenic Coburn Gore, ME to Lake Megantic, Quebec for lunch and then on to Jackman, ME for an overnight stay at [Sally Mountain Cabins](#).



## Classified Ad

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