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Many thanks to John Story for his continued for supporting our HOG chapter!

From the Director

After months of not being able to do much of anything, we were finally able to have a chapter meeting August 1st. Sunday rides and Dinner rides were planned and with the help of Mother Nature, we were able to get them all in. Only one ride was shortened due to weather, which was probably a good thing due to the portion of the meals. Some of us may have needed to take a nap! Those who were able to attend Sunday rides went to Shaw's Fish and Lobster Wharf in New Harbor, Smokin' Dave's BBQ in Norway, Five Islands in Georgetown, and The Red Barn in Augusta. The new format of eat first and then ride, seems to be working well. Dinner rides to Baxter Brewing in Lewiston, Fast Eddies in Winthrop, Side by Each Brewing in Auburn and Lost Valley Brewing in Auburn were all part of the August schedule. All of the Sunday and Dinner rides were well attended and enjoyed by all. There are still a couple of months of good riding ahead. Getting out and enjoying the fresh air on two or three wheels is still the best therapy there is! Make sure to check the hotline for weekly updates (207) 758-0633.

Stay safe, be healthy and well!

Frank

Safety Tips

Remember that this time of year the sun is at a lower angle. If you are an early morning or late afternoon rider, be aware when you go over the top of a hill or around a curve; you could be temporarily blinded by the sun.

Also, be aware that some of the larger animals *i.e.* deer and moose are on the move. A collision with one of these will definitely spoil your day. Not to mention, it is an expensive way to put meat on the table. On another note, it is worth taking a couple of minutes to read, "Dealing with Obstacles on the Road," in the latest edition of "The Enthusiast" magazine. It has some very good tips and information. Remember: ride safe, ride often.



Tony Bruno
Safety Officer



Brand new size large helmet with a clear and a smoked pull-down visor. Recently purchased (and never worn) from L-A Harley for \$250.00. Too tight for me and helmets are non-returnable. Will sell for \$125.00. Dick Moreau 754-2675.

Mid-Maine Lewiston HOG Chapter #1980 Meeting Minutes August 1, 2020 @ 9:00 AM

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 25 members in attendance.

New Bike Deals- No new bike deals.

Appreciation – Primary and Secondary Officer in attendance received their pins and patches for 2020. Officers that were not able to be at the meeting will get their pin and patch at the September meeting. Thank you to all who volunteer their time!

Assistant Director- Janis Tanguay

➤ Gary Sullivan and his wife Kerry who were members of the chapter have retired and

moved to Florida. Gary is having some health issues. If any of our membership who remember Gary from his days in the chapter would like to call and talk with him his phone number is (207) 233-2764.

Treasurer-Greg Foster

➤ Provided account balances...we still have money in the savings and checking

accounts!

Secretary-Teri Lewis - Not present

HOG Manager-Scott Tanguay – No updates

Activities-

- Frank will put together a ride schedule for the month of August with week night dinner rides and Sunday rides and email it to membership.
- Open dates available for an overnight ride to The Kitzhof Inn in August and September. An email will be sent to membership with the dates. Looking for 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice. Frank will send an email to Simon at The Kitzhof once all have replied.
Membership Update-Karen Tanguay ➤ We currently have 59 members

Merchandise-Karen Tanguay

➤ Hog buffs for sale \$11.00 each. If anyone is interested they can be ordered.

Safety-Tony Bruno

➤ It is important to stay hydrated while riding. Plan frequent stops to get something to

drink. The hot summer air while riding can cause dehydration. Head Road Captain-Skip Forbes - Not present

Webmaster-Don Gabriel - Nothing to report

Editor-Lynn Busch

➤ The deadline for the next newsletter is September 15th. Please send all pictures and

articles to Lynn. Her email is lbusch21@hotmail.com.

New / Old Business

Be sure to check the L-A Harley website for dealer sponsored events.

- We are still in need of secondary officers (Historian, Activities, Road Captain, LOH)
- Check the MMLHOG Hotline (207) 758-0633 for updates and event times.
- Nominations for elections will be held at our October meeting. Elections will be at the November meeting and new primary officers will take their positions in January of 2021. All primary officer's (Director, Assistant Director, Treasurer and Secretary) two year terms come to an end December 31, 2020. Please consider becoming a chapter primary officer.
- Christmas gift wrapping will hopefully be able to be done during the upcoming holiday season. If we are able all CDC guidelines will need to be followed.
- Breakfast with Santa is tentatively scheduled for Saturday December 12th. If we are able to have this event we will follow CDC guidelines for preparing, cooking, serving food and clean up. This along with gift wrapping will be our only chapter fundraising events.
Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.
I apologize in advance for any errors or omissions! Next Meeting – September 12, 2020 @ 9:00 AM
Respectfully submitted, Frank Welch, Jr. / Director



KITZHOF VT 2020



What a Labor Day weekend! The group wasn't big but it sure was full of spirit! After leaving Lewiston Friday morning, we met the rest of the group at the Gray Park and Ride; we were on our way. Our first stop was Northwoods Brewing Company and Johnson's Restaurant and Dairy Bar in Northwood, NH. The food was amazing; the ice cream servings made you have thoughts of taking a nap! Once in Vermont, we arrived at The Kitzhof, checked in, sat around a bonfire, had a few adult beverages and laughed the night away. On Saturday, we rode to New York, where we visited Brunswick Harley-Davidson and Spitzie's Harley-Davidson. When the group returned, we had a cookout, sat by the fire, and quite possibly had a few adult beverages. Simon, the proprietor, even sat with us after returning from supper with his family. After packing, breakfast, and pictures Sunday morning, we were on our way home. We stopped at The Hogback Mountain Country Store on Route 9, a must see. From their deck, you can see three

states. They also have local cheese, fudge, maple spirits, and souvenirs for sale. We took a slightly different route when we reached Keene, NH, but still managed to make our way back to Northwood for lunch at Johnson's. Most of the group was home by 6:00 PM Sunday night with plenty of time to relax before the work week began. All in all, we traveled better than 600 miles with a great group of chapter members.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balances:

Checking Account _____ \$2,314.20
 Savings Account _____ \$1,773.03

Deposits//Expenditures/Dividends

Checking Account Deposits _____ \$71.00
 Checking Account Expenditures _____ \$103.99
 Savings Account Dividend _____ \$0.15

Ending Balance Checking Account _____ \$2,281.21

Ending Balance Savings Account _____ \$1,773.18

Correct as of August 31, 2020

Greg Foster
 Treasurer
 Mid Maine Lewiston HOG Chapter

Hello MMLHOG members!

As the riding season is getting short I was reflecting on my riding. This year, for the third summer in row, I have not spent a lot of time in Maine. But while here I managed to get in some truly memorable rides. I thought I would share a few highlights with the hope to plant the seed of anticipation for next year! See ya'll soon! Janis Tanguay



Ride 1:



Over the 4th of July weekend a small group (4 of us!) enjoyed the North Western part of the state riding the Jackman, Bingham, Kokadjo area around Moosehead Lake. We stayed at the Bingham Inn. This would be a perfect destination for a group ride!





Ride 2:

This is a ride the MMLHOG has done before, but I'll remind you of how fun it is. A group of 10 bikes rode to the Kitzhof Inn in W. Dover, Vermont. We took a day ride to NY and around the area. Beautiful ('nuf said). Plus, other than riding and the hospitable host, the evenings at the fire pit were most entertaining.

Ride 3:

On Sunday 9/20 14 bikes (well, 7 bikes and 7 trikes for those keeping track) left L-A Harley for a ride to Height of the Land. What more can I say? This is always a wonderful fall destination (ok, so it is summer for two more days). The weather was cool but clear and sunny. The trees are showing their colors. Several stops were made along the way with lunch in Oquossoc and of course an ice cream stop at Giffords in Farmington.





Bike Wash

How many members does it take to wash a bike? Apparently four — one to work and three to watch.

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