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From the Director

A new year is upon us and I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and the time spent with family and friends.

It's that time of the year again; time to renew your dues. Effective February 1st the eligibility list will be sent to Patrick to update accounts with their Loyalty Points. This is such a nice benefit given to each member by John Story. If you are unable to make a meeting to renew your membership you can fill out the Membership form and mail it in with payment to L-A Harley, Attention Mid Maine HOG.

The winter months are among us and the cold air is no treat, but we will be thinking of some winter activities to make the winter go a little faster. We are trying to get together for a night at the Ramada, to dance and enjoy the music of Motor Booty Affair. If you are interested in going please get in touch with me ASAP. Tickets are \$20/pp or 2/\$30. The date is Friday, February 28th. Watch for further details of our annual family bowling event.

I want to thank everyone who came out and volunteered their time at the Blood Drive. It was a great success and could never happen if it was not for the wonderful members of the Chapter. 131 useable pints equals 393 people. WOW!

Hope to see you at our next Chapter meeting. Stay warm!!

Kathi Yergin Director



Mid-Maine Lewiston HOG, Chapter 1980

Monthly Chapter Meeting - January 4, 2014

9:00-9:20AM Social time; Official meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance with 34 members and guests present.

Director - Kathi Yergin:

- Welcome & Introduction of Officers
- New Bike Deals: Don Gabriel 2014 Ultra in Daytona Blue, Tim Michaud 2014 Tri Glide Black & Cayenne
- Thank you to Frank Welch for cooking last week.
- Cook needed for January 11th, Servers for January 25th during Chili Cook Off
- Grill Raffle tickets are going on sale for \$5 each. Drawing Saturday May 30th.

Membership - Anita Maheux

- New Member: Tim Michaud
- Birthdays: Anita recognized birthdays for the month.
- Membership Update: Currently we have 108 members
- Need to register for 2014

Assistant director - Cindy Rogers

- 2014 ME State Rally will be in Old Orchard Beach. Next Rally meeting Jan 18th. Rally website is now online at http://www.mestatehogrally.com/.
- Holiday Party: Jan 25th with theme "Black & Blue Ball". Bring an appetizer. Last Day to buy tickets 1/4.

Newsletter Editor - Karen Schneider

- Please have newsletter info by 1/18. Looking for articles, letters, ride reports, maintenance tips, jokes, stories, etc.
- Name Tags (\$10) Order going in.

New Business:

- Volunteer of the month: Frank Welch
- Greg Davis presented 2013 Photo Book

Upcoming Events:

- January 17th, Volunteers for set up of Blood Drive
- January 18th, Blood Drive 9-3pm, Unload trucks @ 7 am
- January 25th, Holiday Party (Tickets needed)
- February 1st, Chapter Meeting @ 9:00am
- Check L-A Harley-Davidson's website for all their upcoming events

Meeting closed, fun meeting activities: door prizes.

Minutes by Donald Gabriel / Secretary



Happy Birthday to the following chapter members*:

* Apologies to those we missed. Please contact Lenore Charest so she can update our database

Fred	Charon	Jan	1
Barry	Gates	Jan	14
Kathi	Yergin	Jan	16
Benjamin A	Loft	Jan	17
Linda	Coffin	Jan	21
Frank P.	Welch Jr.	Jan	22

15th Annual Mid-Maine HOG Chapter L-A Harley Super Blood Drive

















Thank you to everyone who donated their time to help out at the Blood Drive. We were able to get 131 useable pints which can save the lives of 393 people. What a great success!!!







From the Head Road Captain Brent Tanguay

New Year everyone!

Well, another year has gone by and thinking back, 2013 was a pretty good year. We really do have a great HOG Chapter and sponsoring dealer, whether we are all riding somewhere for the day or helping with an event at the dealership, everybody pitches in and makes it fun. We did have some very nice group rides together last year, an awesome (but wet) Maine State Rally, Progressive dinner ride (wet), ride to Rockport, MA (also wet) hmmm... seems to be a pattern here. My point is that we all love to ride and sometimes we have to deal with some wet weather but we all stay together and have safe rides. So, looking forward to the 2014 riding season... we really need to work on our sunshine dance!

It seems like forever since we all rode last, but this is Maine and it is winter. In the meantime, we can prep our bikes for another season and plan new trips. So, gather up some great rides and have them ready for our ride planning meeting.

That's all for now!

Remember, Ride and have fun.....then ride some more!



On your new bike purchase!



Don Gabriel on his new 2014 Ultra in Daytona Blue with grandson, Riley

Not pictured: Tim Michaud – 2014 Tri Glide Black & Cayenne



\$\$ BIKER BUCKS \$\$

- 1. Only current chapter members can collect Biker Bucks.
- 2. All members will receive the same amount of Biker Bucks for the same event.
- 3. It is the responsibility of the member to sign in at every event. You will have until the end of the event to sign in. Once the event is over the sign in sheet will close.
- 4. Biker Bucks will be used to purchase auction items at the end of the year. Members can only use their own bucks.
- 5. Members can start collecting Biker Bucks on May 4th and continue through December 31st.
- 6. Volunteering at events is a great way to earn Biker Bucks, as well as attending meetings and going on chapter rides.
- 7. Biker Bucks is a fun game for Mid-Maine Chapter members.
- 8. Biker Bucks have no monetary value.
- 9. The Chapter Primary Officers will rule on any questions that may arise.

Points

Chapter meetings 10pts
Chapter rides 10pts

Cooking on Saturday 10pts per hour that you work

Large event (Pancake breakfast) 50pts

Grill raffle sales 10pts per ticket sold

Article submitted to newsletter 20pts

This and That... (Dennis Webb)

I found this an interesting read, never mind what it does to our Fuel Systems... Yet another reason to speak out about any attempts to force HD Riders to use E85.. IMHO part of the issue is the "Caloric Value" of the Ethanol versus the CV of Gasoline

E85 vs. Gasoline Comparison Test

http://www.edmunds.com/fuel-economy/e85-vs-gasoline-comparison-test.html

The Final Score — Fuel Economy and Cost

After refueling we put the fuel amounts and the prices paid into a spreadsheet and compiled a clear, side-by-side comparison for both fuel consumption and cost. Remember, these results apply only to this vehicle and to the prices in effect during our 667-mile test.

Gas Result: From San Diego to Las Vegas and back, we used 36.5 gallons of regular gasoline and achieved an average fuel economy of 18.3 mpg.

Gas Cost: We spent \$124.66 for gasoline for the trip. The average pump price was \$3.42 per gallon.

E85 Result: From San Diego to Las Vegas and back we used 50 gallons of E85 and achieved an average fuel economy of 13.5 mpg.

E85 Cost: We spent \$154.29 on E85 for the trip. The average pump price was \$3.09 per gallon

Gas/E85 difference: The fuel economy of our Tahoe on E85, under these conditions, was 26.5 percent worse than it was when running on gas.

A motorist, filling up and comparing the prices of regular gas and E85, might see the price advantage of E85 (in our case 33 cents or 9.7 percent less) as a bargain. However, since fuel economy is significantly reduced, the net effect is that a person choosing to run their flex-fuel vehicle on E85 on a trip like ours will spend 22.8 percent more to drive the same distance. For us, the E85 trip was about \$30 more expensive — about 22.9 cents per mile on E85 versus 18.7 cents per mile with gasoline.



This year we will rally in the town of Old Orchard Beach; where there is always something to do!

Many of the activities will take place at the Old Orchard Beach High School. The Waves Hotel is the host hotel and closest to the high school. However, should you want to park your Harley and just enjoy the rally and other OOB activities there is a trolley (public) that moves throughout OOB so you can move from various event areas with ease.

The 2014 Maine HOG rally will be supporting local food banks. For each non-perishable food item you bring to registration you will receive a ticket for a drawing at closing ceremonies.

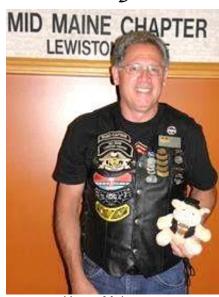
Come on! Join us as we go Cruzin' to the Beach!

MAINE STATE HOG RALLY

JUNE 26-28, 2014 OLD ORCHARD BEACH

www.mestatehogrally.com

Thank you to our volunteers of the year-2013!



Henry Maheux



Jerry Yergin



Duane Coffin

Upcoming dealer sponsored events



RIDING GEAR ESSENTIAL WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

BIKE NIGHT AT PEDRO O'HARA'S

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

READY TO RIDE WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

SERVICE OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

Androscoggin County
United Bikers of Maine



Invites you to join us for...







The

5th Annual



Plaque Awarded For "Hottest Chili"



Chili Cook Off!

10 am - 2 pm Entry Fee is \$5



No Pre-Registration Required



Along With an Event for the Younger Crowd





FMI Call Chris Raymond at: (207) 754-9329

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I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter.				
I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.				
- THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING -				
I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the "RELEASED PARTIES") shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G. or H.O.G. chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G. members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G. activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities. I release and hold the "RELEASED PARTIES" harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE "RELEASED PARTIES" FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).				
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RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHAPTER