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## *From the Director*

We made it!!! It's riding season. I know quite a few of you have put on some miles while others cannot get out of their driveway or street yet due to mud. I could not believe I was finally sending out the first blast about a ride. It was so hard to believe.

We have some fun times coming up at L-A Harley. Our meeting in May has been **changed** to May 9<sup>th</sup> so that we can help out during L-A Harley's Black and Orange day on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be hosting the breakfast, the poker walk so if you have not signed up to volunteer, please just email me

Our ride-planning meeting was a great success. The members were able to create a great calendar of events for the riding season. I hope that you will find time to join us in as many as you can. Remember to keep updated on upcoming rides. Ways to keep informed is a weekly email blast from me. If you are not receiving them, please email me your email ASAP. I have quite a few still being returned undeliverable. The newsletter will be updated and have the current month events in it. You can call the hotline at 207-758-0633 for rides as well as cancellations due to weather. And of course as a 4<sup>th</sup> way to keep updated is to check the website at [www.mmlhog.org](http://www.mmlhog.org). We have made plenty options available to keep informed.

See you all soon on the ROAD!!!

Kathi Yergin  
Director

**ROARIN' 20th HOMECOMING**  
**HOG RALLIES 2015**  
**SKOWHEGAN, MAINE**  
**July 23 - 25 2015**

CELEBRATE THE 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAINE H.O.G. RALLY AT THE SKOWHEGAN FAIRGROUNDS

**YOUR \$20 REGISTRATION FEE COVERS A WEEKEND OF FUN AND RIDING - INCLUDING:**

- Police Escorted Ride to the Rally from Every Maine H-D Dealership
- Biker Bingo - Prizes Awarded Of Course!!!
- Guided and Self-Guided Rides
- Poker Run
- Bike Field Events
- Two Nights of Live Entertainment
- Skill Games - More Chances to Win Special Prizes!!
- Bike Show
- People Field Events
- Police Escorted Parade - Proudly Display Your Chapter Flag
- Rally Group Photo
- Shuttle Buses to Skowhegan and Waterville Lodgings
- Vendors
- Prizes Awarded to the Winners of Most Events!

**BUT THERE IS MORE**

- Hook-Ups for Campers at the Fairgrounds - Reduced Rates for Rally Goers
- 20th Anniversary Rally Merchandise and Chicken Dinner Available for a Minimal Additional Fee to those Pre-Registering

VISIT [www.mostatehogrally.com](http://www.mostatehogrally.com) FOR DETAILS AND TO REGISTER

**Mid-Maine Lewiston HOG, Chapter 1980**  
**Monthly Chapter Meeting – April 4, 2015**

9:00-9:10AM Social time; Official meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance with 54 members and guests present.

**Director –Kathi Yergin:**

- Welcome / Introduction of Officer's
- Guest Speaker – Pam Payeur of Wounded Heroes Program of Maine
- New Bike Deals – Skip @Anne Forbes - Trike
- Chapter meeting notes from last meeting accepted
- Treasurer reported beginning and ending balances for the month
- Potluck Brunch with Ride Planning Meeting to Follow This Meeting
- 15 Volunteers Signed Up for the In Store Poker Walk Saturday April 11th (Set-up 9 am) – Thank You

**Membership – Anita Maheux:**

- New member introduced
- Birthdays recognized
- Membership Update: Currently we have 96 paid members
- Please – if you are not getting emails, check with Anita.

**Assistant director – Cindy Rogers**

- See Maine Rally website ([www.mestatehogrally.com](http://www.mestatehogrally.com)) for current details.

**Activities Coordinator – Sandy Bruno**

- **Chapter Bowling** – Great turn out.

**Merchandise- Karen Tanguay**

- Nametags are in and new order list started \$10 each and need (12) to order.
- (4) Member interested in jacket but need (2) more to place order.

**LOH – Jessie Poore**

- A spa day will be added to the calendar
- Looking into a LOH ride.

**Newsletter Editor - Karen Tanguay**

- Newsletter cut off is a week. Articles welcomed.

**New Business:**

- Frank Welch – Bike Raffle selling well. Please sign up for selling in store and/or take tickets to sell.

**Upcoming Events:**

- April 11th – In Store Poker Walk 9:30 to 2pm (Set up at 9am)
- April 22th – Dinner Ride, 2, 3 or 4 wheels. Meet at L&A at 6:15 – Jerry leading.
- Watch for Blasts
- Check L-A Harley Website for Activities
- Saturday, May 9, 2015 – Next Meeting in the Hog Den @ 9:00 am

Meeting closed; fun meeting, activities, and door prizes.

Minutes by Donald Gabriel / Secretary

Help make this year's bike raffle a success... Contact Frank Welch to get your raffle tickets. Raffle tickets are in for our Motorcycle Raffle. If everyone could take 10 tickets to sell this would truly be appreciated. The monies raised help out with our annual Holiday Party, yearly expenses, and ice cream stops. All monies raised are given back to its members. As well as the charities we will be helping.

# Mid- Maine Lewiston Harley Owner's Group

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**2014 Harley-Davidson Road King  
or \$9,995 cold cash!**



**Only 3,000 tickets sold \$10 each**

To buy tickets: call 207-753-6768 or stop in at L-A Harley-Davidson

**Drawing will take place on  
December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at L-A Harley-Davidson**



Portion of proceeds to benefit:



Shriners Hospitals  
for Children™



**All applicable taxes and all fees are the responsibility of the winner.**

## 2015 Ride Schedule

### April

22 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride

### May

2 – L-A Harley Black & Orange Event  
7 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride  
9 – 9:00am Chapter mtg.  
10 – 10:00am Mother's Day Ride-Red Barn, Augusta  
17 – 9:00am ride to Augusta State Museum  
23 – 11:00am LOH Spa Day  
24 – TBA – Bray's Pub, Naples

### June

6 – 9:00am Chapter Mtg. / In store Poker Walk  
7 – 5:00am Kiwanis Breakfast, St. Dom's  
9 – 6:30pm Dinner Ride  
14 – 9:00am Poor Peoples Pub, Sanborn  
18 – 8:00am Laconia  
20 – Rally in the Valley, HOG cook  
21 – 9am Father's Day ride/cookout @ Karen & Brent's  
27 – 9am Mt. Battie  
28 – 8am Rockport, MA

### July

11 – 8:30am Chapter mtg./ Wounded Hero's Ride  
12 – 8am Bar Harbor  
  
13 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride  
17-19 Vermont Overnite  
23-25 – Maine State HOG Rally  
25 – 8am Ride to HOG rally  
26 – 8am Fisherman's Friend, Stonington

### August

1 – 9:00am Chapter mtg.  
8 – L-A Harley Sugarloaf Ride  
11 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride  
15 – 9am Mystery Ride  
16 – 8am Lobsters & Lighthouses Progressive Dinner Ride  
21 – Balloon Festival Bike Night  
29 – 9am Kora Kares for Kids Ride In, Twitchell's  
29 – Autism Ride  
30 – 9am Mystery Ride & cookout

### September

5 – L-A Harley Black & Orange Event  
10 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride  
12 – 9:00am Chapter mtg.  
13 – Toy Run & Breakfast  
19 – Jack & Jill Overnite  
26 – 10am Leaf Peeping Ride  
27 – Mr. Pizza, NH

### October

43– 9:00am Chapter Mtg. / Simone's Ride  
6 – 8:am Fryeburg Fair  
15 – 6:15pm Dinner Ride

**This calendar is compiled from information made available at the time of publication. Dates and times are subject to change. Please check the website, or HOG Hotline for event updates.**

**Iron Adventure Run**  
JULY 23 - 25, 2015  
STURBRIDGE, MA

**IRON ADVENTURE RUN**  
2015  
HOG  
POWERED BY H.O.G.  
Sturbridge, MA  
July 23 - 25, 2015  
Pre-Registration Now Open  
<http://www.ironadventure.com/>

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 11TH  
10AM TO 2PM**

**IN-STORE  
POKER WALK**

hosted by



## A trip to remember      -Fred Zikowitz

### **Conclusion: Father/Daughter Road Trip to Cape Breton Island Nova Scotia summer of 2014:**



At the start of the Cabot Trail we passed by a couple of young men dressed in Scottish Kilts standing in front of "The Gaelic College". It is a school that teaches music and the Gaelic language. I plan to take my wife Joan there next summer for adult classes to further her study of fiddle playing.

The Cabot Trail takes about six hours to complete the entire loop. I must say that it is absolutely breathtaking. The road meanders along the edge of the water with some of the most spectacular scenery I have had the pleasure to see while riding. At one of the many outlooks located along the trail, we pulled over to see that we were high above the water and that the fog was coming off of the Gulf of St. Lawrence onto

the cliffs below and rolling up over the road we were on as if it had a life of its' own.

As we cruised along, Angela used my phone to video record a segment of our journey. I could be heard on that video saying "Oh my God" at the point where we had just turned away from a wooded area. Before us was a breathtaking view of the road ahead, carved into the hills that terminated at the edge of the water below. It was an area of the Cabot Trail that is often associated with photos of Cape Breton Island.

At another turn out overlook, we just stood there in awe of our surroundings, when we heard the familiar rumble of Harleys coming around the bend. About ten or so Harleys pulled up to us and of course we chatted. All the bikes had NY tags, so I asked where in NY were they from? After a few names of places unfamiliar to me, one rider said West Point. I perked up because my son Andrew is stationed there as a Tack Officer. I said that we often go down to West Point to visit him and my daughter-in-law and grandchildren. I told them that Andrew has a 2011 Fat Boy Low and that we ride together as often as distance, time and schedules allow. I asked them which HOG chapter were they with. They said that they were "orphans" since their HOG chapter had dissolved and so they started their own riding group outside of HOG. Their road captain's name was Fred (*as is mine*) and another in the group told him to take off his helmet because we had the same hair line, or I should say lack thereof. It was suggested that we take a photo together, Fred & Fred, so we did. We also took a group photo and Fred gave me one of their cards for the "Hudson Valley Riders". Fred invited me to come and ride with them the next time I was in NY. He told me where they meet and that they ride every Sunday morning. He then pulled out a whistle, blew it and they were gone! I love it!

I did catch up with them about six weeks later on a trip back to New York with my son after my son and his family had been up to Maine for a visit, but I'll leave that story for another time.

As Angela and I rode along we never ceased to be impressed by the beauty around us. We also stopped at a couple of old Catholic Churches we spotted along the way. One of them had a shrine to "Our Lady of Guadalupe" on the hill side out back. We ventured up and sat on a wall in front of the shrine. We said a few prayers together, and then while spreading peanut butter onto some breakfast snacks I had been carrying in my saddle bags for such a time as this, we sat and looked out over the beautiful scenery with views of the church on the hill below and the Gulf and shoreline as far as you could see! It was a very peaceful place to be in mind, body and soul.

Angela and I continued on our journey until the peanut butter snack wore off and so we stopped along the way for a late lunch/dinner in a small town of French heritage on the southwestern part of the Cabot Trail. We found a place to eat that served homemade chowder that was very good. I wish I had written down the name of that restaurant for future reference.

Back at the Silver Dart Resort we settled in for the night and looked forward to the next day's ride. The next morning we enjoyed our breakfast at the resort with a view of the Bras D'Or Lake below. After check out we headed northeast to the City of Sidney. Upon approaching the city a fellow driving in his car asked us, as we were stopped at a traffic light, if we were looking for a place to stay? He recommended staying in an area outside the downtown section to save money. He even escorted us to the place he recommended . . . just another example of Canadian hospitality.

After he departed we went inside, a bit reluctantly I must admit. The place looked a little questionable on the outside and the inside was no better. We decided to continue to the downtown area. I decided to take a room at the Holiday Inn in Sidney. It was pricey but after a little help from the desk clerk to get a better room rate [*she made us some special government officials from the USA*] we were set for the night. We then walked around the city for a bit. It was the least enjoyable area that we had experienced thus far I must admit. We decided to go back to the hotel's pub to get something to eat. Upon entering, we were greeted with fiddle music being played! We had some beer and wings and while enjoying the music a very free spirited young man got up and danced like there was no tomorrow! He "danced like no one was watching". Evidently someone was indeed watching because he was asked to leave. Perhaps he had a bit more to drink than the establishment thought he should have had. Personally I thoroughly enjoyed watching him dance with the ladies, young and old! He was a free spirit and I felt his energy!

In the morning we had breakfast at the hotel and started our trip back home. We would stay one more night along the way home. We left Cape Breton Island after stopping at a craft store with handmade items. There I found a four piece set of tea cup cozies with fiddles embroidered into the fabric and so I purchased the set as a gift for my wife Joan. There at the craft store we met some more hospitable Canadians who made route recommendations for our trip home. On the ride heading home we took RT 106 north to Pictou, N.S. and back on to RT 6 also known as "Sunrise Trail". Once again we enjoyed views of beautiful farms and open spaces with Northumberland Strait as the backdrop. We continued to ride through towns with the names River John, Tatamagouche and Wallace, but it was the town of Pugwash that we finally found shelter at "Inn the Elms".

We came across that Inn by chance as the sun was setting and places to stay where scarce. We were directed to look for the sign on the left as we rode into Pugwash. We found the Inn and were fortunate to get the last available room in the Inn. It had a queen bed and a fold out bed. I told Angela since I was the old guy that I should get the bed. She said that was fine.

I inquired at the Inn about where to purchase a bottle of wine and so I was directed two doors down the street to a local co-op. I made it there just in time before they closed. Angela and I enjoyed the wine on a beautiful summer's night as we relaxed on the screened porch at the Inn. Some young people drove by in a jacked up pickup truck hooting and hollering and hanging halfway out the windows and just having a good time. We found this to be quite entertaining. We laughed as they rode by and I enjoyed their spirit.

After finishing our wine and conversation, Angela and I went to our room. Angela showed me the video that she had recorded earlier on my cell phone as we were cruising around the Cabot Trail. As I watched the video I proceeded to sit on the bed, when suddenly the bed collapsed to the floor with a loud crash! We exclaimed "oh shit" and then started to laugh as we tried to fix the mattress. Moments later we heard a knock on the door, it was the inn owners to ask if everything was alright. I replied "just a minute" as I searched for my jeans, not wishing to go to the door in my boxer shorts. Unable to locate them amidst the ruckus I thought "oh what the heck" and so I opened the door anyway, only to find the owners standing there in their robes. I told them what happened and they were so apologetic. They told me that they had had a very rambunctious couple stay in that room last night. And so we had another good laugh.

The next morning was Sunday. We were told that the Catholic Church was a short walk up the road. After attending mass we came back to the Inn for an incredibly delicious breakfast. I had a lobster omelet! The owners were originally from Ontario and they had purchased the Inn two years ago after they had spent a couple of years in St. Martin in the Virgin Islands. The husband is of Dutch decent and he was able to stay and work as a chef at a St. Martin resort for an extended period of time. We really lucked out!

At checkout time I told them I would like to return someday with my wife Joan. I said that by the time that I could return they wouldn't remember me. They assured me that indeed they would. Kind of funny if you think about it ☺.

After breakfast we headed for home. The ride home was enjoyable. The entire trip was free of rain... that is, until half way from Bangor to Readfield. We took RT I-95 from Bangor and so I slowed down to 50 MPH on the highway in order to see and stay safe. We made it home safely and now we have a trip to remember for life!

*Fred Zikowitz*



**Don't miss the Annual Progressive Dinner Ride for Lighthouse, Lobsters & more!**

**August 16, 2015**

1 = \$15 Lobster dinner

2 = \$20 Lobster dinner

Burger meal = \$10

**Make your reservation now! Deadline to sign up and pay for your meal is the August 1<sup>st</sup> chapter meeting.**

**Progressive Dinner Ride Plan:**

**Leave L-A @ 8 am**

**Lisbon, Breakfast @ the Jones'**

**Ride, Ride, Ride to Friendship**

**Park bikes @ Stu Harrington's**

**Take boat to island cookout**

**Ice Cream stop on way home**



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

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

Terrance Brougham	4/8
Janyce Thurlow	4/14
Nathan Landon	4/19
Jerry Yergin	4/23

## Sponsoring Dealership News

# UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 2015		MAY 2015	
11	Poker Walk & BBQ Giveaway	2	Black & Orange Open House
16	New Bike Owner App. Night	16	Demo Days
18	Ready to Ride Workshop	23	Ladies Ride
25	\$1 Drafts & Quarter Wings	23	Harleys & Hashbrowns
		30	UBM Bike & Car Show

**LA Harley-Davidson** **SATURDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>**  
**STARTING AT 12PM**

**\$1 DRAFTS**      **QUARTER WINGS**      **BY PEDRO O'HARA'S**




**WHILE SUPPLIES LAST**

**LADIES RIDE** **LA Harley-Davidson**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup>**

**DESTINATION: TO BE DETERMINED**  
**SIGN IN: 9AM (FREE BREAKFAST)**  
**DEPARTURE: 10AM**  
**POKER RUN: PRIZES FOR BEST & WORST HAND (NO ENTRY FEE)**

Please arrive with full tank of gas.  
 There will be a gas stop at destination.  
 Approximate mileage for ride: 100-150 miles.



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