



The H.O.G. Tells

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER



This is my first newsletter as your new Director...so where do I begin?

Let me start by saying I feel blessed to be called the Director of Electric City HOG Chapter. I hope to lead this Chapter in the same positive direction I have witnessed during my time as a member.

We continue to see many new members come aboard who add new enthusiasm, thoughts and ideas to our activities. We travel the same roads that have been here and ridden for years, but having new friends to ride with and to find new ways to get there definitely puts a different spin on getting to our destination.

The basic love of riding is our common bond, and will probably never go away for most. To ride with a group who one can call dear friends is by far priceless. HOG affords many of us the opportunity to have the enjoyment of someone to ride with.

This past year was a blast, and I look forward to another in 2016. With the State Rally coming back to Anderson this year gives us a great event to enjoy right in our own back yard. We have the Chili Cook-off coming up in a couple of weeks, and could bring the trophy back here hopefully. I

hope to see many of you in Charleston to cheer on Ken, Fish and Joe, and show our Chapter spirit. I am excited to see what the Activities Committee comes up with each month, and just as excited to see who will Road Captain the ride to find out how we will get there!

As for our mileage recognition award, there will be an addition this year for another category to give those who are bound by a job to compete. We will have a "working class" category challenge, for full time employed members who want to compete with other members in the same situation. I even hear there is talk we may have an LOH challenge for the lady riders in our group this year! It's refreshing to see more ladies learning to ride and having other lady members in the Chapter to ride with.

We have done well over the years having fun raising funds to support worthy charities. We will soon discuss taking on this year's charity activity and hopefully get the pleasure of seeing a great achievement from it again this year also.

Blood drives, Dinner rides, Bike Nights and other Dealer events and more all await us. I'm looking forward to being able to mix and mingle with our SCWHOLEHOG family and other Chapters this year. I love the opportunity grow friendships with others who share our love of riding and having fun. . Once we shed ourselves of this winter cold, which surprisingly has been pretty kind to us so far, the riding fun can really begin.

I look forward to participating with each and all of you this year to make 2016 one we all will look back on someday and say wow, what a ride that was!

Tim Jones



Assistant Director
From The Right Lane

I just wanted to say it is an honor to server as the assistant Director of the best HOG group in the world. I look forward to a great year of eating and riding with everyone. We have a lot of great events planned for the group. One event we have is a big one right here in Anderson, SC. The SC State HOG Rally is back in Anderson this year. If you have not registered for the rally go to WWW.SCSTATEHOGGRALLY.COM and do so. This one you don't want to miss. We have lots planned to keep you entertained all weekend.

See you on the road.

Tim Hill



Treasurers Report

This year has started out great so far. What a great turnout we had for annual New Year's Days Ride and our first Chapter meeting of the year. Be sure to check out the calendar to find out what is going on and join in for a fun time.

I just placed an order for name badges. Hopefully they will be here for the next meeting. If anyone else is interested in one please let me know. I have a few hats with the chapter name on them. They are \$15 each. Also if anyone needs patches please let me know. I have both large and small HOG patches and Chapter rockers.

That's all for now. Ride Safe and Have Fun!

Sherry Partain

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Riding with the Head Road Captain

JANUARY ARTICLE FOR THE ELECTRIC CITY H.O.G. NEWSLETTER BY THE HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER/REIGNING TOP MILEAGE H.O.G./MVCM (most valuable chapter member)/TOTALLY AWESOME SEMI OLD GUY (ok just guy).

Well the year is off to a great start and we're out riding with three events under our belts thanks to our road captains and activities committee. The weather has been a little cool but don't let that deter you. After all, you spent good, hard earned dollars for that winter gear so put it on and come ride with us. I'm excited about the new ECHOG year. We're going to do new things, going to new places, going to see lots of new members, going to ride with new road captains, and going to have tons of old fashion fun.

Whether you ride when it's cold or wait until it's warmer to saddle up please make sure to check your equipment before you roll out. Cold temperatures are hard on batteries. A battery tender is a good investment to keep yours fully charged and ready to go. And your battery will last longer. Tires tend to lose air during the winter months so check your tire pressure regularly and keep them properly inflated. Proper tire pressure doesn't only prolong tire life it also makes you safer. Under inflated tires will cause your bike to handle squirrely. Over inflated tires will result in less traction as your contact patch becomes smaller. Either condition will shorten the life span of your tires. Check the calendar, dust off the bike, fill it up with gas and let's ride and have fun.

Ken Higginbotham



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769

Minutes of the January 5, 2016 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:00 PM

Opening prayer was given by George Turner

Pledge of Allegiance Thanks to Mel Seckel for providing the America flag and pole

Roll Call (JB Clifton) Members Present 67

Approval of Secretary's Minutes as published in Newsletter No additions or corrections

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the January meeting and thanked Dean Elmer for providing the evening meal.
- **2016 ECHOG Officers** – New officers for 2016 are Tim Jones, Director; Tim Hill, Assistant Director; Sherry Partain, Treasurer; Lyn Guffee, Secretary & Webmaster; Melissa Clemons, LOH Officer; George Turner, Chaplain; Ken Higginbotham, Head Road Captain & Safety Officer; John & Beverly Munns and John & Pam Waitekus, Activities Committee; Joe Kinsland, Volunteer Coordinator; J.B. Clifton, Membership; Ray Keiper, Editor; and Luanne Jones, Historian. Please support our new team throughout the year.
- **Harley Merchandise** – JB reminded members to ask for their 10% discount on Harley merchandise at the dealership. Only applicable for genuine Harley items.
- **January Birthdays** – Acknowledged members who have a birthday this month by singing Happy Birthday.
- **Certificates** – Certificates were presented to Mike King and John Munns. Certificates for other members were presented at the annual Christmas Party.
- **Mileage Challenge** – There will be dual challenges this year, one for retirees and one for member who are employed full-time. There was also a suggestion for a women's mileage challenge.
- **SC Whole HOG Chili Cook-off** – Some will be staying at the Creekside Land's Inn. You can book online for approximately \$60.00 per night. Come support our Chapter in the cook-off.
- **Hoka Hey** – Tom from the NC HOG Chapter (Shallotte, NC) will be here next month to discuss the Hoka Hey Motorcycle Challenge.
- **Fund Raiser** – Be thinking about fund raiser for this year (Belk Charity Day Sale, Yard Sale, etc.). We will discuss this next month.

Tim Hill (Assistant Director)

- **New Members** – Tami Mealor, Christina Copeland, Michelle Chapman, Rex Allen, and David Young.
- **SC State HOG Rally** – Registration forms are available for the SC State HOG Rally, April 21 – 23, 2016. You can also register online. Brochures and flyers will be distributed. One of the prizes this year at the Rally will be a Bike Cruise to San Juan/St. Maarten). HOG will also be bringing a Demo Fleet and we will need numerous volunteers. The Holiday Inn will be the host hotel again this year.

Sherry Partain (Treasurer's Report)

- **Financial Report** – Will be presented at next meeting.

- **Items for Purchase** - Sherry has rockers and patches available. She will be placing an order for name badges, but must have a minimum of 12. Name badges are \$8.00 each. Let her know if you need one. She also has 1 ladies medium shirt available.

Melissa Clemons (LOH Report)

- **LOH Meeting** – Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 01/19/16. Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of each month at Sue's Wings & Things (eat at 6:00 and meeting begins at 7:00).
- **Bowling** – Meet on 2nd Monday of each month at Boulevard Lanes at 7:00 p.m.
- **Secret Pal Forms** – Secret Pal forms are available if you are interested in participating.
- **Sweetheart Ride** – Ride scheduled for O'Charley's on 02/06/16 - KSU at 12:00 noon

Other Business and Drawings

Ken Higginbotham (Head Road Captain & Safety Officer)

- **Rides** – Upcoming rides/activities include: 01/09 – Brunch ride to Barnwood Grill; 01/14 – Dinner ride to Bleu Voodoo Grill; 01/30 – SC Whole HOG chili cook-off at Low Country Harley Davidson; 02/06 – Sweetheart ride to O'Charley's (ride after lunch); 02/18 – ROMEO ride to Mac's Speed Shop; and 02/13 – Shealy's BBQ; 02/16 – Victory Valley Vineyards. Refer to calendar for event details, updates or cancellations.
- **Responsibility of Riding in a Group** – Don't do anything that jeopardizes someone else's safety, such as an unexpected or sudden move. Ride in a tight pack, particularly at traffic lights. Be on time (10-15 minutes before scheduled departure). Arrive with a full tank of gas. Be prepared mentally and physically. Know hand signals (left hand or right foot for dangers in the road). Passengers watch your hands so as not to confuse riders behind you. Ken explained the "Bread Crumb" technique. If the group is separated, the bikes continue in a pack until a turn is made. Then the last bike will find a safe place to pull over until the other bikes catch up. This process continues each time a turn is made until all bikes are back together. It is also recommended that when the group is separated that each bike should blow their horn to alert the road captain. Typically trikes ride near the back of the pack in the center lane. The next bike behind the trike will ride in the appropriate position (staggered with the bike ahead).

Joe Kinsland (Volunteer Coordinator)

- **Bike Night** – Bike nights will start back soon. Be thinking of your availability to volunteer.

John Munns (Activities Committee)

- **Ride Suggestion Forms** – Committee has ride suggestion forms available. They plan rides two months ahead to allow for scheduling of road captains and updates to calendar.

Luanne Jones (Historian)

- **Ride Detail Sheets** – Luanne reminded everyone that the ride detail sheets are to be given to her and Ride/Event participation sheets are to be giving to Lyn Guffee.

Dean Elmer

- **Financial Advisor at Waddell & Reed** – Dean has information on asset allocation and other investment ideas, including some Barron's magazines for anyone who is interested. See him if you would like to set-up an appointment.

- **Drawing** - Steve Lefevre was the winner of a Harley skull mug.

Other Information

Drawings

- **Chapter Pride:** \$10.00 won by David Barton
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD:** Nancy Southerland
- **Door Prize Winners** of \$20.00 gift cards: Steve Southerland and Jim Franz
- **50/50 Winner of \$103.00:** Fish Guffee
- **Fuddrucker’s Gift Certificate winners:** Larry Regucci, Jay Nichols, Cheryl Sanders, David Barton, and Donna Dunn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by Lyn Guffee, Secretary



Historian

Luanne Jones (Historian) – January, 2016

Working on getting Historian books fully updated. Days are getting longer, yeah, so there’ll be more riding. So stay tuned!

Road Captains, don’t forget the Riding Detail sheets go to me, and the Sign In sheets go to our Secretary, Lyn Guffee. Just bring to next Chapter meeting or you can email to me: LuanneJones58@gmail.com.

Below is a list of the Road Captains and their cell number that we have in the ECHOG Chapter. This list would be good to keep with you when we are on a ride. Contact the Road Captain if you get separated from the group or you are having trouble.

TIM	HILL	864-554-0121
FISH	GUFFEE	864-844-4174
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TIM	JONES	803-518-0326
RAY	KEIPER	864-353-8993
JOE	KINSLAND	864-423-8688
STEVE	McCULLOUGH	864-224-8479
JOHN	MUNNS	864-483-4294
NEWT	PARTAIN	864-556-9872
GEORGE	TURNER	864-642-5639

• **CHECK CALENDAR FOR FUTURE RIDES AND EVENTS**

WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS JOINING THE CLUB. LET’S MAKE THEM FEEL WELCOME.

Upcoming Rides & Events

Go to www.electriccityhog.com and check the schedule of rides

Watch the message board for updates regarding each ride.



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H.O.G. Meeting

1st Tuesday of every month
 Fuddruckers
 100 Destination Blvd
 Anderson, SC 29621
 Eat: 6:00 PM Meeting: 7:00 PM

L.O.H. Meeting

3rd Tuesday of every month
 Sues Wings & Things
 SC 81 & I-85 Exit 27
 Eat: 6:00 PM Meeting: 7:00 PM

Tim Jones, Director



