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2017 Year End Wrap Up

**BY TIM JONES
DIRECTOR**

Well, it has been an eventful year for 2017. It seems such a short time ago we were conducting the SC WHOLE HOG Chili Cook-off here in Anderson. I guess that was one of the things that started our year out right was taking the trophy once again. Will it happen again this year? You best join up again and keep a watch in January. We need the entire Chapter out in spirit to support Gary, Beverly and Rod.

I look forward to the New Year and new adventures. I can't express enough thanks for those members that donated and dedicated their time this past year to our Chapter as officers, both Primary and non-primary to boot. Activities down to editor, webmaster, and even multi roles such as our Safety/Head Road Captain/Calendar Keeper perform. All play a part in keeping us functioning and riding.

It was exciting planning our year end Christmas Party at Tuckers Restaurant, from my observations it went very well. Hearing and getting great compliments on how well it turned out this year made the hard work worth it all. As a recap of what we were able to do, I will break down as to what we were able to do for those who attended this year. Some drawings were not classified as "must be present to win" in fairness to those who were not.

We were able to set aside a great deal of money dedicated to purchase of gifts, and with the generosity Timms HD we were able to spend even more. All these, and lots of donated gifts from members and local businesses gave us enough that EVER member attending was able to pick a gift from the table. Even the lovely table centerpieces donated by Deb Gutcheus were up for grabs as prizes. Prize drawings carried on throughout the evening until we were able to clear the table of all the gifts, even running through some more 2nd chance drawings to do so.

We wanted no one attending as a guest to feel left out so we purchased some HOG mini collapse able coolers to give all the guests (as guests can turn into members!).

We were able to surprise all the members by giving a meal reimbursement for those that paid and attended.

We rolled into the High Mileage Competition awards. We were able to have a big surprise for the three top category winners. This year we had the dealers support and were able to give away a free set of tires to one lucky winner. We had three envelopes, two with the \$100 promised prize money and one with a free set of tires. Mark Miller, Highest Mileage and winner in the full time employed category, was given the opportunity to draw one first. John Munns, winner in the retired category drew 2nd and Cheryl Sanders; winner in the LOH category drew the last. Envelopes opened and John Munns was the lucky winner! We then were able to draw for a new rear tire between those who participated in the challenge (10 total). We included the two prior winners in the random drawing with understanding if they won, they must surrender the \$100 gift card. This would allow two more \$50 drawings among the participants. Gary Clemons name was pulled as winner so that wrapped up the excitement of the mileage challenge awards. Timms HD expressed their appreciation for those who get out and ride by supplying the tires.

When we rack up the miles the maintenance Parts and Service and apparel (not to mention new bikes!) we purchase helps support our dealer greatly. Please keep this in mind when shopping, your support means a lot to Rocky and the dealership. They really take care of us in so many ways. We see and understand that when we have lots of members joining in the rides and events, it produces good things for the group.

OK, off my podium and back to the party.

We wanted to recognize the other group within and that is the Road Captains.

We ordered HOG 1st aid kits to provide all the RC's as thanks for their service (and hope they never have to use them). We also had two \$50 drawings for Road Captains only. Cheryl Sanders and Fish Guffie were the two lucky winners. We cannot give enough thanks to these men and women who take the time to pre-ride and pre-plan these rides. Every ride we do has one of these folks leading. Shake their hands or just say thanks sometime when you're on a ride.

Next up we had the Active Members awards. This year we were able to do more than just the current year rocker, we gave comped memberships to the 23 who qualified for 2018! These we

hope drives participation in the events and get more members out and joining in the fun throughout the year.

One of the other great things we were able to do was provide a buffet loaded with awesome food from Tuckers. I got a lot of compliments about the tasty food and deserts. Service was excellent!! We are already booked again for Dec. 1st 2018, so mark your calendars now!

We did an exception this year and invited the staff at Timms to come. It was appreciated; even Cody agreed to pay the cover charge for employees who wished to attend. We had four employees and with two spouses to join. From the fun I seen had by those who came, if we do the same next year, we will see a much larger turnout from the dealer. We sure enjoyed having them.

We invited Tommy Forest and Debra from Quilts of Valor (Debra couldn't make it). These friends of our group, along with our own Pam Waitekus and a few others coming on board with QoV, have done such wonderful things for our Veteran Members; it was a small token of our appreciation. Tommy was very appreciative to be invited and sent his thanks.

Brandon Higginbotham never fails to deliver and he did a fantastic job entertaining us with a great variety of music. He has offered his services again for 2018!

I do strive hard to see that all goes well within our Chapter being the Director and accepting of that title. I guess going into my 3rd year as Director, and spending two years as Asst. Director, I know all too well the time and effort it takes. I also know what my fellow Primary officers go through, as well as other "essential personnel" as the government would call them. And all this for no pay, but hopefully knowing they play a big part in supporting the Chapter they call theirs. Please take a minute to say to one of them sometime how grateful you are for the time they serve, it will mean a lot to them!

So this year is pretty much a wrap.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and even greater New Year! Ride safe this coming year of course, but mainly get out...and let's RIDE!



Riding with the Head Road Captain

Riding with the Safety Officer/ Head Road Captain –

I want to thank our road captains for the job they've done in 2017. We have ridden almost every weekend and these folks have stepped up and put together some fantastic rides. Take it from me, planning an interesting ride takes time and work so I encourage everyone to let your road captains know that you appreciate what they do. Until next time .. Ride safe and have fun.

Ken



November 2017 Chapter Meeting

1. Welcome!
2. Prayer andPledge to the flag

Welcome and thanks for any guests that may be joining us today at Timms HD for our Chili Cook-Off.

Thanks to Timms HD for letting us have our chili cook off here today.
Thanks to all those who made chili today

Director discussion on items in general:

WholeHOG event in Beaufort SC was a great time, thanks to those who attended.

State chili cook off on Jan. 27th. Choose wisely today!!

Reminder: Mileage sheets are to be verified and turned in to Gary today (actually form says it was the 7th but we had a Saturday instead of Tuesday meeting).

Also, Harley will be doing a mileage recognition next year so register your mileage Jan 1st. with the dealership. Details found at HOG.com.

Nominations for next years Primary officers have been made.

BoD approved vacant secretary position and Robin Perry will be our 2017 secretary. Non primary position for LOH officer vacancy will be Beverly Munns. John Munns will be Activities Officer.

Christmas Party sign-up sheets. Today is deadline to turn in your sheets to attend.

3. JB. Read membership in attendance, members and guests.
4. Tim Hill- Off to Florida to compete, wish him good luck.
5. Pam Waitekus –Treasurer- Read Financials.
6. Gary Clemons- Secretary. No comments
7. Activities Committee, Munns and Sanders. Briefed us on events.
8. Ken, Safety/ Road Captain info. No comments.
9. Melissa Clemons – LOH Officer. Discussed LOH events.
10. Joe Kinsland Volunteer Coordinator No comments.
11. Raffles and Prizes.



December 2017 Chapter Meeting

1. Welcome!

2. Prayer andPledge to the flag

Welcome and thanks for any guests that may be joining us tonight.

Director discussion on items in general:

Birthdays in December?

Congrats to the chili winners at last meeting, Gary Clemons #1, Beverly Munns #2 and Rod Ensley 3rd. Looking forward to State Cook-Off on Jan. 27th, 2018!

Volunteer Dinner provided by Timms will be in January, 2018. (date TBA.)

Greg Skipper, Calvary HFC with us. Donation presentation later in the meeting.

10 members turned in their mileage sheets for 2017. Announcement of winners at this year's Christmas Party. Remember, Harley will be doing a mileage recognition next year so register your bikes mileage after Jan 1st. with the dealership. Details found at HOG.com.

We had 23 members qualifying for 2017 Active Member status, names TBA at Christmas Party.

We have 80 attendees for our Christmas Party Dec. 16th .

Looking to invite Joe Lemmons from Life Flight to next meeting to discuss something important you may wish to consider.

3. JB. Membership in attendance, members and guests?

4. Tim Hill- No comments.

5. Pam Waitekus –Treasurer- Read Financials.

6. Gary Clemons- Secretary. No comments.

7. Activities Committee, Munns and Sanders. Rundown on rides/events ahead

8. Ken, Safety/ Road Captain info. Thanked all for a safe year.

9. Melissa Clemons – LOH Officer. Discussed LOH activities and wished the position farewell.

10. Joe Kinsland Volunteer Coordinator absent.

11. Raffles and awards



Historian

Luanne Jones (Historian) – Please check out our dedicated Facebook site for albums/pictures and details of our rides at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1058735334162011/>

FYI- The HOG photo albums at the dealership have been put in storage due to remodeling that has taken place at the dealer.

Our Facebook site is being used to share our most recent past events.

Road Captains, Please send ride sheets to Robin Perry with your sign in sheets and she will forward ride sheets, for your convenience, to Luanne Jones

Having occasional starting problems with your bike, change the battery in the key fob every yr.

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.

GARY	CLEMONS	864 238-0626
TIM	HILL	864-554-0121
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KEN	HIGGINBOTHAM	864-313-5178
TIM	JONES	803-463-9758
RAY	KEIPER	864-353-8993
JOE	KINSLAND	864-423-8688
STEVE	McCULLOUGH	864-224-8479
JOHN	MUNNS	864-483-4294
SCOTT	CLINE	864-723-2584
GEORGE	TURNER	864-642-5639
JOHN	WAITEKUS	518-281-8763
DALE	PERRY	864-356-4688

MELISSA	CLEMONS	864-340-2265
TAMI	MEALOR	864-979-8944
CHERYL	SANDERS	864-221-0416

BRENDA HILL 864-554-0120

• CHECK CALENDAR FOR FUTURE RIDES AND EVENTS

Have you signed up for the ECHOG Update/Reminder? Check with Tim Hill for more info.

LET'S MAKE OUR NEW MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME.



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Director	Tim Jones	
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Safety Officer	Ken Higginbotham	
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	John & Bev Munns	
	Jay and Cheryl Sanders	
Chaplain	George Turner	
Historian	Luanne Jones	
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H.O.G. Meeting

1st Tuesday of every month
 Fuddruckers
 100 Destination Blvd
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 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