



The H.O.G. Tells

ELECTRIC CITY CHAPTER #4769

Web Address: www.electriccityhog.com

July-August 2018

Sponsored By: Timms Harley Davidson of Anderson
Rocky Timms - Owner
4110 Clemson Blvd
Anderson, SC 29621
Phone: 864-224-1531, Toll Free: 877-224-1531
Fax: 864-226-2466, Website: www.timmsharley.com



Live to Ride, Ride to Live

**BY TIM JONES
DIRECTOR**

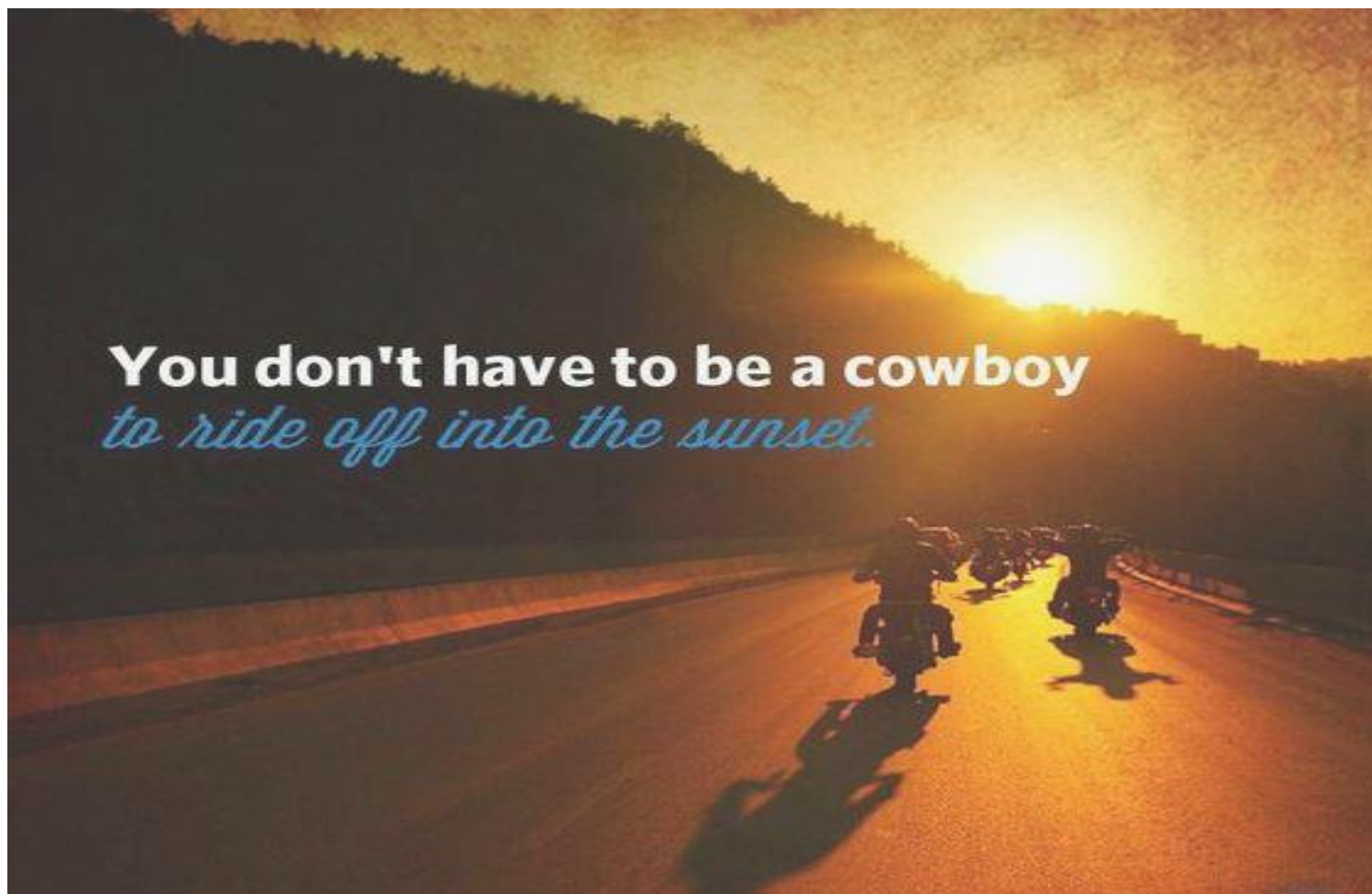
I dare say

all us HOG's can relate to the words ride to live and live to ride. As time goes by I grow more and more fond of doing one of the things I love best, and that is riding. Lots of folks say riding is too dangerous. Maybe the danger element is part of the reason for the thrill of the ride? I could go on and on about the wind in my face, the roar of the motor, yada, yada, yada that makes me love riding so much. Each of us have our own favorite reasons to ride and those reasons I'm sure share a lot in common.

Who is old enough to recall the old advertising cliché "you meet the nicest people on a Honda?". To me, that would be false advertising today as I have proof that some of the nicest people you could met have been riding Harley's! Many of those are

what I consider to be lifelong friends. Parting with one of those friends sure puts us in a tough place in life to be. A few days ago, August 10th 2018 to be exact, our Electric City HOG members shared the terrible loss of a great friend we had in common. Steve Jensen truly loved to ride and as we all witnessed, even went to a great extreme to keep riding once he was not as stable as he once was in holding up the bike and adding his "training wheels" as some referred to it. Doing what he felt necessary to carry his loving wife of many years always perched on the seat behind him like she had been the whole time they had been riding together and they shared many miles together across the United States and Canada. He made friends everywhere he went, always had a smile on his face until the very end. I know those that knew him will always remember that infectious laugh he had and that relaxed tone of voice no matter what the situation held. RIP Steve Jensen, you fought a hard battle here on earth. Someday in the great beyond, maybe we will ride again...don't forget to breadcrumb for us!

Cancer sucks.



Riding with the Head Road Captain

RIDING WITH THE HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER

Most of you know that our chapter has experienced a number of unfortunate accidents in recent weeks. Several members have mentioned to me that I should have a lot to talk about in the meetings because of this. Of course, you know me, I can talk a lot about almost nothing but due to these recent events there are a few points that need to be made.

First of all, safety is a personal responsibility. No one can keep us safe unless we choose to take it seriously and do the things necessary to minimize the likelihood of us having an accident.

Secondly, all accidents are caused. Accidents happen but they don't "just happen". An accident is usually a result of some unexpected occurrence and can be caused by any number of things. When something catches you off guard take a moment to think about why and look for ways to avoid that situation in the future.

Third, there is no secret formula for safety but I believe there are three things that each of us can do to improve the odds of us getting home safely whether we are riding, driving, or taking a walk.

1. Always be alert. Complacency or inattention can be deadly. Know what is going on around you at all times, try to anticipate what others may do, and consider how you will react if something becomes a threat.
2. Know your skill level and ride within it. Don't take unnecessary risks and don't put yourself into situations that you are not capable of handling. Believe it or not, most of us aren't as good as we think we are.
3. Practice to improve your skills. Riding helps us to get better but we all need to take the time to get alone in a parking lot or some other isolated, safe place and challenge ourselves to learn to better control our motorcycle by making tight turns, evasive maneuvers, and practicing braking techniques.

Remember, a better rider is a safer rider. Have fun but please stay safe.

Ken



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769
Minutes of the July 3, 2018 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:06 PM

Opening prayer was given by George Turner

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jerry Dozer

Roll Call Members Present 48 members, 2 New Member, 0 guest

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

Tim Jones ask for prayer for members Ron & Julie Huber. Ron was in a motorcycle accident.

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the July meeting.
- **July Birthdays** – Acknowledged members who have a birthday this month by singing Happy Birthday.
- **Reminder that bike Nights at Timms will be the first Thursday of each month.** We will have 2 shifts working the gates. Volunteers are needed, please see Joe Kinsland to sign up. Joe said that we are good for a few months. **Thank you from Rocky Timms for the volunteers that help on bike night.**
- **Thank you to all of our Road Captains! You are appreciated!!**
- **Tim Hill (Assistant Director) Welcomed all the New Members .**
- **Welcome of New Members** – Welcome to ECHOG !!

- **Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)**
- **Financial Report** – On web can look at it there or ask Pam.
- **Pam reminded everyone that the ladies want to order shirts, she needs a minimum of 20.**
- **John Munns (Activities Committee)**- Please check out the calendar for all of our scheduled rides.
- **Ride Suggestion Sheets** – Please turn in ride suggestion sheets. Please put your name on suggestions so committee can ask any questions they may have about destination.
- **Calendar** – Check the ECHOG calendar for other events

Ken Higginbotham (Safety) (Head Road Captain & Safety Officer)

- **Please look at the ride guide on our chapter website.**
- **Ken posted a great article on dehydration, please read it and remember to drink water.**

Beverly Munns (LOH Report)

- **LOH Meeting** –Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of each month at Sue's Wings & Things (eat at 6:00 and meeting begins at 7:00). There are rides scheduled for The Apple Barn, and we are looking into an overnight ride to Biltmore House. Blood Drive planned for October.
- Weekend of July 27th there will be an overnight trip to Blairsville Ga. Contact Beverly is interested in going.
- Aug.4th there is a ladies ride to Cornucopia Restaurant in Cashiers.

Joe Kinsland- Volunteer Coordinator

- This year there will only be 1 bike night a month.
- The first Thursday of each month starting in March, going through November.
- Please sign up! Only 2 shifts per gate.
- THIS IS A GREAT WAY FOR US TO SUPPORT OUR DEALERSHIP WHO ALWAYS SUPPORTS US!!

Other Business and Drawings

- **Drawings**
- **Chapter Pride: \$10 Tina Delk**
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD- John Waitkus**
- **Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards: Jay Sanders and Redman**
- **50/50 Winner of \$80. Bobby DePrima won!!**
- Fuddruckers donated cookie chips. These were given away by a ticket pull.
- CONGRADULATIONS to all of our winners.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Submitted by Robin Perry, Secretary

Minutes taken Robin Perry

ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769 Minutes of the August 7, 2018 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:05 PM

Opening prayer was given by George Turner

Pledge of Allegiance was led by a visitor James Wright

Roll Call Members Present 53, 2 New Member, 6 guest

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

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the August meeting.
- **Re-Joining Members** – 2 New Members joined tonight. Tim thanked all who were present.
- **August Birthdays** – Acknowledged members who have a birthday this month by singing Happy Birthday.
- **Reminder that bike Nights at Timms will be the first Thursday of each month.** We will have 2 shifts working the gates. Volunteers are needed, please see Joe Kinsland to sign up
- **Thank you to all of our Road Captains! You are appreciated!!**
- **Thank you-** to John Munns and the activities committee for giving us a variety of ride destinations. Copperhead Lodge for example was a great time and destination. Keep up the good work.
- **Carol Walters from Calvary Children's Home** sent a email letting us know about the open house coming later this year.
- **L-Rod from Timms-** L-Rod reminded us of the Carolina Challenge going on. Also reminded us of the free safety inspections we can get. Timms has several things going on in August, please check out the calendar next time you are in the dealership. L-Rod was then ask several technical questions. Ex: what is a safe tire pressure & what is high mileage on different bikes. **L-Rod thank you for your time and coming to join us and answer our questions.**
- **Tim Hill (Assistant Director) Welcomed 2 New Members .**

Welcome of New Members – Welcome to ECHOG !!

- **Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)**
- **Financial Report** – Report is on website or you can get it from Pam.
- **Pam** reminded us that several people want to order shirts, she needs a minimum of 20 shirts to order.
- **John Munns (Activities Committee)-** Please check out the calendar for all of our rides. We had a great ride coming up this Saturday to Social Circle Georgia. The Blue Willow Inn, John said this is a ride not to miss!

Ken Higginbotham (Safety) (Head Road Captain & Safety Officer)

- **We need to remember that Safety is common sense, and each person's responsibility.**
- **Ken gave us a few tips:**
 1. **Stay alert/ Stay aware- What's going on around us.**
 2. **Know your ability- Ride you ride.**
 3. **Work on your ability- improve your skills.**

John Munns (LOH Report)

- **LOH Meeting** –Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of each month at Sue's Wings & Things (eat at 6:00 and meeting begins at 7:00). We Will not have a LOH meeting in June.
- Thank you Melissa Clemons for leading the ride to Cashiers.
- The ride to The Apple Barn has been moved. Stay tune for the new date.
- Blood Drive will be scheduled for a Saturday in October.

Joe Kinsland- Volunteer Coordinator

- This year there will only be 1 bike night a month.
- The first Thursday of each month starting in March, going through November.
- Please sign up! Only 2 shifts per gate.
- THIS IS A GREAT WAY FOR US TO SUPPORT OUR DEALERSHIP WHO ALWAYS SUPPORTS US!!

Other Business and Drawings

- **Drawings**
- **Chapter Pride: \$10 Mark Miller not present) The money will roll over next month.**
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD- LuAnne Jones**
- **Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards: Evie Clifton, Steve McCullough**
- **Sturgis T-Shirt: Mike Coco**
- **50/50 Winner of \$85.00 Denise Higginbotham**
- Fuddruckers gave us cookie chips that were drawn for.
- Congratulations to all of our winners.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by Robin Perry, Secretary
Minutes taken Robin Perry



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.

• 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.**



Chapter Officers

Director	Tim Jones
Asst. Dir.	Tim Hill
Secretary	Robin Perry
Treasurer	Pam Waitekus

Home

(864)348-7204

Cell

(803) 463-9758
(864) 554-0120
(864) 737-8362
(518) 281-8763

H.O.G. Meeting

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

LOH Officer	Beverly Munns		(864) 622-9585
Newsletter Editor	Ray Keiper	(864)225-2671	(864) 353-8993
Webmaster	Lyn Guffee	(864)261-8442	(864) 934-0403
Head Road Captain	Ken Higginbotham		(864) 313-5178
Safety Officer	Ken Higginbotham		(864) 313-5178
Membership	JB Clifton	(864)225-2934	(864) 314-1221
Activities	John & Bev Munns		(864) 483-4294
	Jay and Cheryl Sanders		(864) 221-0416
Chaplain	Allyson Helvie		(864) 245-3709
Historian	Luanne Jones		(864) 202-0991
Photographer	Tim Jones		(864) 463-9758
Volunteer Coord.	Joe Kinsland		(864) 423-8688

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.

ELECTRIC CITY HOG ROAD CAPTAINS 2018

GARY	CLEMONS	864 238-0626
TIM	HILL	864-554-0121
FISH	GUFFEE	864-844-4174
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
MARK	MILLER	864-303-8071
GEORGE	TURNER	864-642-5639
JOHN	WAITEKUS	518-281-8763
DALE	PERRY	864-356-4688
	And our Lady	
	Road Captains	
MELISSA	CLEMONS	864-340-2265
TAMI	MEALOR	864-979-8944
CHERYL	SANDERS	864-221-0416
BRENDA	HILL	864-554-0120







