



The H.O.G. Tells

ELECTRIC CITY CHAPTER #4769

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How do we exist?

BY TIM JONES
DIRECTOR

AS a member of the Electric City HOG Chapter, did you ever stop and think, how did we ever come to be a HOG chapter? I don't mean such as a group of proud Harley riding (and some riding other brands as well) folks that love to ride motorcycles and enjoy the companionship and fellowship that belonging to a local chapter brings. I mean to be a group of individuals who can wear proudly the patch of Electric City Chapter of Anderson SC on our vest, shirts, hats, badges, etc. How did we come into existence and call ourselves as such? There is a history behind the name itself that goes back a ways, but as to the chapter itself it goes like this.....

as with all local HOG Chapters we are sponsored by a dealer, and in our case, Timms Harley Davidson. It just so happens to be the “hidden” name behind the patch. It is not only viewed by the motorcycle community, but by everyone in the community as a symbol of the dealership by which we are sponsored and truly as being a part of that dealership.

I do not profess to be an authority on the history of the Electric City Chapter or the dealership that sponsors us, but I have knowledge of the legend of a man and his family that are able to boast with pride today as being the oldest Harley Davidson dealership in South Carolina. I recognize this as something truly in the motorcycle and business community to be very proud of. There were hard times in the past and some dealers and businesses that never survived.

Since first joining a local HOG chapter in 2011, and being new to the HOG chapter world, I have always recognized since day one that the dealer sponsorship means everything. It is how local chapters are allowed to exist and how working together we can both thrive. It is basically a partnership, but most of all we must always remember, we exist as a chapter because of the dealer, the dealer does not exist because of the chapter.

While owing a big debt of gratitude to your dealer, it is also important to remember we all are representatives of the dealer, whether we are on the payroll or not. In our case, our actions at the dealership and in and around the community are a reflection back at the dealership by whom we are sponsored, as well as showing others by example what being a true HOG member means.

I in no way feel that I am the perfect example of a HOG member, but only maybe if it is measured in the amount of enjoyment one gets from being a part of HOG as the riding club of Harley Davidson.

I do ask of my fellow members to take notice of the patch you wear, the meaning it reflects on the club you belong to and most of all the dealer that sponsors us.

Wear it proudly and let’s make our dealership proud to see us wearing it!

Whether you are being a volunteer working an event at the dealership, participating in rides, activities or what ever the case may be, treat those around you just like family. I know not only will Rocky Timms greatly appreciate it, but he expects it of us all.

The views expressed in this article are strictly those of your Director. Thanks for reading.

Let’s RIDE!!

Tim Jones



Riding with the Head Road Captain

RIDING WITH THE HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER

REPEATED --- Did you read it the first time???????????

A better rider is a safer rider and it pays to be safe. One aspect you may want to bush up on is counter steering.

This is the phenomenon where the bike goes left when you push forward on the left handle and right when you push forward on the right one. If you aren't familiar with this concept try it the next time you are in an area with plenty of room to maneuver. Get up to around 35 – 40 mph and push gently on the handlebar grip. The harder you push the more quickly the bike will turn so don't do it too hard until you get comfortable with it. Counter steering will make you a much better rider on curvy roads. Talk to me about it if you have questions. Also, don't forget to look through the turn and not at the road right in front of you or the edge of the road. The motorcycle will go where you are looking so don't look where you don't want to go. Make certain to give your bike a periodic check to be sure everything is in good shape. Wear the proper safety equipment and always be alert for every possible occurrence. Safety is a personal responsibility so take it personally and do all that you can to avoid a possibly dangerous situation. That's it for now. Let's all ride safe and have fun in 2018 and beyond.

Ken



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769
Minutes of the May 1, 2018 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:04 PM

Opening prayer was given by Allyson Helvie

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Sutherland

Roll Call Members Present 58members, 1 New Member, 5 guest . 2 rejoined

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

Beverly Munns ask for prayer for former members Stephanie and Andy Bagwell. Andy was in a bad motorcycle accident.

Tommy Forrest with Quilts of Valor is with us tonight. He with the help of Pam Waitekus and Tina Delk wrapped 3 veteran with us. Steve Sutherland, Mike King, and Tristan Overman.

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the May meeting.
- **Re-Joining Members** –1 New Member joined tonight. Tim thanked all who were present.
- **May 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
- **HOT training was great, we came away with a lot of great ideas.**
- **Ashley from Timms-** Ashley spoke and told us about happenings with the dealership. Bike night this week and the MMA ride this Saturday. Next Bike night will be June 7th. There is a LOH blood drive this weekend. Timms is sponsoring a Ladies Riding 101 on May 24th. Any ladies wishing to come out and talk to us about learning to ride, please see Ashley. May 26th, BBQ for Vets. The 3rd Saturday of every month is coffee and cars from 9-12.
- **Tim Hill (Assistant Director) Welcomed all the New Members .**

Welcome of New Members – Welcome to ECHOG !!

- **Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)**
- **Financial Report** – Read report from May.
- **Pam reminded everyone that she has names tags in.** Pam also has a few shirts for sale \$20 each.
- **John Munns (Activities Committee)-** Please check out the calendar for all of our scheduled rides. We are going to break up into groups tonight to try to come up with new ride ideas.

- **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)

Nothing to say this month.

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). Please come join us. Ladies ride May 20th to the Lighthouse, and don’t forget the LOH blood drive this weekend.
- Weekend of July 27th there will be an overnight trip to Blairsville Ga. Contact Beverly is interested in going.

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

PLEASE don’t forget we need everyone to sign up with Robin in Service at Timms for ride 365.

- **Drawings**
- **Chapter Pride: \$10 Mike Coco – not present. Money will roll over to next Month.**
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD- Jim Ward**
- **Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards: Ken Higginbotham and Jeannie Jensen.**
- **Cooler Bag: Cheryl Sanders**
- **50/50 Winner of \$135 - Ken Higginbotham. The other half of 50/50 tonight will be donated to Quilts of Valor.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Submitted by Robin Perry, Secretary

Minutes taken Robin Perry



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769
Minutes of the June 5, 2018 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:07 PM

Opening prayer was given by Allyson Helvie

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tommy Forest

Roll Call Members Present 57, 3 New Member, 7 guest

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

Tim Jones ask for prayer for members Rex Allen. Rex was in a motorcycle accident.

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Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the June meeting.
- **Re-Joining Members** –3 New Members joined tonight. Tim thanked all who were present.
- **June 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!!**
- **Donna from Timms-** Donna spoke and told us about happenings with the dealership. Bike night this week. Next Bike night will be July 5th. There is a Carolina challenge, see the dealership for all the info on this. Upcoming events, June 30th- Willie will be talking about entertainment systems. There is also a Chill & Grill in June. Go to Timms website for more info.
- **Congrats to Tim Hill for 2nd place in the Skills Challenge at the Maryville Regional HOG Rally.**
- **Tim Hill (Assistant Director) Welcomed all the New Members .**

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- **Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)**
- **Financial Report** – Read report from June.
- **Pam reminded everyone that she has names tags in.** Pam also has a few shirts for sale \$20 each.
- **John Munns (Activities Committee)-** Please check out the calendar for all of our scheduled rides. We are going to break up into groups tonight to try to come up with new ride ideas.
- **July there is a Greenville Drive ride and Baseball game. Please see or contact Melissa Clemons if interested. Calendar** – Check the ECHOG calendar for other events
- **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.
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Ken Higginbotham (Safety) (Head Road Captain & Safety Officer)

- **Please look at the ride guide on our chapter website.**
- **Bread Crumbing-** if you don't understand this terminology please see Ken.

Beverly Munns (LOH Report)

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- 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.

Joe Kinsland- Volunteer Coordinator

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We want to wrap and thank Veteran Steve Wise for his service!!!

We had Skip with US Spydery riders with us. They talked about an upcoming event for all motorcyclist, Road Warrior Foundation. They are putting on an event on Saturday & Sunday August 17th & 18th at Sandy Springs Park. For more information please go to carolinaspyderriders.com

- **Drawings**
- **Chapter Pride: \$20 Tammi Looper**
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD- Ken Higginbotham**
- **Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards: Fish Guffee, Karen Blomberg**
- **Cooler Bag: Robin Perry**
- **50/50 Winner of \$95 Mark Miller and Mike Coco**
- **Fudds cookie chips- Mark Miller, Don Burleson, Kathy Miller, Jim Ward, and Brian Soule.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 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
ECHO Update/Reminder?**

Check with Tim Hill for more info.

LET'S MAKE OUR NEW

MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME.



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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

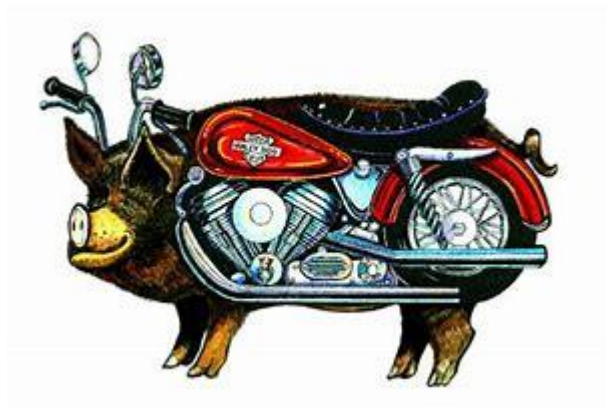
SC 81 & I-85 Exit 27

Eat: 6:00 PM Meeting: 7:00 PM

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
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	And our Lady Road Captains	
MELISSA	CLEMONS	864-340-2265
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BRENDA	HILL	864-554-0120





Ladies of Harley