



The H.O.G. Tells

ELECTRIC CITY CHAPTER #4769

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RIDE AND HAVE FUN

**BY: TIM JONES
DIRECTOR**

When the call came out for info to post this edition of our newsletter from our great behind the scenes editor, Ray Keiper, I started reflecting on something to write that may make sense and worth reading as I always try to do.

All we learn from mother H.O.G. is what H.O.G. is TRULY about, riding our Harley's and having fun. That's why I am here as a H.O.G. member. I know that my fellow Chapter members come for that very same reason as well. I wish to thank all of the primary and secondary officers for their willing efforts to get things done through sacrifice of their time. And I salute those members who have gone before us in these roles for all their positive efforts in the name of Electric City H.O.G., in the past and current times.

As to the duties beyond riding and having fun:

Our Chapter bylaws state we will publish a minimum 6 newsletters a year. While all of society seems to rely on immediate notification of events the moment they are announced, our newsletter has a hard time competing with social and web based forms of instant communication.

Of course, I know the newsletter is not published solely to make the Director and other officers write some edge of

your seat article about riding and awareness. It's not to let you know what upcoming rides to prepare for or you will probably be missing a lot, the web calendar is in the hand of everyone with a phone.

We have instant text messaging available for reminders and last-minute changes as they may occur. Utilizing Facebook, events can be changed at a moment's notice as well.

So what does the newsletter do for us?

Our meeting agendas are our history. It is a way to reflect back to what was discussed in the monthly meetings if there ever was a question. A confidential to members only method to cover officer changes and elections as per protocol. It documents Officer and Road Captain info. It also keeps us in compliance with the Chapter bylaws, which is an officer's prime directive.

Me and the other officers sacrifice some of our "fun" time to keep the chapter rolling and having fun, so don't let us down! Come to events and show your support.

As we rev up for 2019, I hope to be able to join my fellow members in many new rides and events. Between weather and work hurdles, it sure does add to the enjoyment on a ride when you know the pain of missing one.

As I stated in the beginning of this article, trying to make something that makes sense and is interesting to read, check back for the May/June edition. I may come up with something then.

And in the mean time.... Lets RIDE!!



From Our Safety Officer

Now that we're on daylight saving time it's more important to recognize how the position of the sun affects riders' visibility, both in our ability to see impending danger and how well others can see us. We've all seen drivers plow through stop lights and signs and sometimes it's because the sun is in their eyes. Nothing is foolproof but here are some precautions that may save you to ride another day.

ALWAYS look before you go. It only takes a second or two to determine if that guy is stopping or not.

Use your high beams during the day for extra visibility.

When the sun is in your eyes use your helmet's visor and your hand to help you see.

Make sure you have the proper eye protection to help shade your eyes.

Release and hold your brakes when stopped to get the attention of those coming up behind you and leave yourself an escape.

Be aware of these dangers when riding in the morning and evening and take proper precautions.

Ride in a group when possible.

Hopefully this will help and keep you riding safely.

I look forward to riding with you all soon.

Remember, a better rider is a safer rider.

Ken H.



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769
Minutes of the March 5th , 2019 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Hill at 7:05 PM
Opening prayer was given by Steve Sutherland
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Sutherland
Roll Call Member Enrollment 80

Officers Reports

Tim Hill (Assistant Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the March meeting
- **Re-Joining Members** – We have 80 members total new or rejoining members. 56 present tonight with 3 guest
- **March Birthdays** – Acknowledged members who have a birthday this month by singing Happy Birthday.
- **Tim Hill** again Reviewed the Primary officers. **Tim Jones- Director, Tim Hill Assistant Director, Pam Waitekus – Treasurer, Robin Perry- Secretary.**
- **Review of secondary officers- Karen Blomberg -LOH, Gary Clemmons – Head Road Captain, Melissa Clemmons – Membership, Bruce Reignier – Activities, Mike Coco – Volunteer Coordinator.**
- **Thanks to the remaining officers, Ken Higginbotham – Safety, Lyn Guffee – Webmaster, Ray Keipler – Editor, Luanne Jones – Historian.**
- **George Turner will be stepping up once again taking over our chaplain duties. Thank you George.**
- **Thank you to all the Road Captains, new and old, for continuing to carry the load of taking us on rides. Gary would like to have a meeting right after tonight's chapter meeting.**
- **Tim Hill (Assistant Director) – Discuss chapter mileage and categories to begin at March meeting. Ride 365**
- **Pam Waitekus – T-shirts will be for sale in March. Men and ladies, we need a total of \$25 to order. 12 name tags.**
- **Bruce Reigner (Activities Committee)- Looking for suggestions. Passing out ride suggestion sheets, please fill out and turn in. Please check calendar. We will have several weekend and overnight trips this year.**
- **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

Karen Blomberg (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).
- Senior Follies coming up soon, lunch before ay O'Charley's. April we will be going to Earle St.

Ken Higginbotham (Safety)

- Look for things in the road. Look for hand and foot signals. Your RIGHT hand is for the throttle and front break, use LEFT hand and RIGHT foot for signals.

Gary Clemmons (Head Road Captain)

- **Lets talk about anticipation** – What is the person in front of you going to do? Always watch out !

Mike Coco

- Don't forget bike nights start this week. We still need volunteers for the car rental side for the 7:30 to 8:30 shift

Hank from Timms is joining us tonight.

- **Bike Nights kick off this week, they are the 1st Thursday every month.**

- We at Timms want all HOG members to come in and introduce yourselves to us, a lot of you we know, but a lot of you we don't. Please come in and say "hi"
- March 23rd – Dyno Shootout
- We now offer free tire installation as long as you buy your tires from Timms. This is not a promotion. This is from now on.
- We, Rocky, Cody, and Hank would love to do something special just for HOG members. Yall talk about it and throw some ideas at us.

Other Business and Drawings

- Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD: Nancy Sutherland
- Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards: Mark Miller, Jason Smith
- 50/50 Winner of \$95.00: Ken Klein – Donated back to Calvery Children's Home. Our Charity for this year.
- Membership Pride: Laura Henry

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by Robin Perry, Secretary

ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769 Minutes of the April 2nd , 2019 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones at 7:01 PM

Opening prayer was given by George Turner

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Christopher Sherman

Roll Call Member Enrollment 81

Officers Reports

Tim Hill (Assistant Director)

- Welcome – Tim welcomed everyone to the April meeting
- April Birthdays – Acknowledged members who have a birthday this month by singing Happy Birthday.
- Tim Hill (Assistant Director) – Discuss chapter mileage and categories that began in March meeting. Ride 365
- Pam Waitekus – T-shirts still on sale. Men and ladies, we need a total of \$25 to order. 12 name tages.
- Bruce Reigner (Activities Committee)- Not Present
- 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

Karen Blomberg (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).
- April we will be going to Earle St. May 11th Mothers Day ride, Ride May 25th to Joliet Ga. Bake Sale June 6th for Quilts of Valor.

Ken Higgenbotham (Safety)

- Nothing Tonight !!!

Gary Clemmons (Head Road Captain)

- Remember to show up for rides at least 30 minutes before the ride leaves with a full tank of gas.

Mike Coco

- Don't forget bike nights!. We still need volunteers for the year.

Timms Rep – No one present

Other Business and Drawings

- Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD: LuAnne Jones

- **Door Prize Winners of \$20.00 gift cards:** Earl Davis & David Evans
- **50/50 Winner of \$90.00:** George Turner
- **Membership Pride:** Terry Freed – Not present- \$10 will roll over for next month.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by Robin Perry, Secretary



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 sign in sheets to Robin Perry.

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

FUTURE RIDES AND EVENTS

- **CHECK CALENDAR FOR**

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

**LET'S MAKE OUR NEW
MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME.**

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Chapter Officers

Director	Tim Jones	
Asst. Dir.	Tim Hill	
Secretary	Robin Perry	
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Head Road Captain	Gary Clemons	
Safety Officer	Ken Higginbotham	
Membership	Melissa Clemons	
Activities	Bruce Reignier	
Chaplain	George Turner	
Historian	Luanne Jones	
Photographer	Tim Jones	
Volunteer Coord.	Mike Coco	

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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 2019

GARY	CLEMONS	864 238-0626
MIKE	COCO	407-361-3304
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
DALE	PERRY	864-356-4688
BRUCE	REIGNIER	678-485-4216

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
NEIL	WAGNER	610-213-0286

And our Lady
Road Captains

MELISSA	CLEMONS	864-340-2265
CHERYL	SANDERS	864-221-0416
TAMI	MEALOR-LOOPER	864-979-8944
BRENDA	HILL	864-554-0120



2019 PRIMARY AND LOH OFFICERS. L to R: Tim Hill -Asst. Director, Pam Waitekus - Treasurer, Karen Blomberg-LOH Officer, Robin Perry- Secretary, Tim Jones- Director



FEEL FREE TO FORWARD THIS ISSUE OF H.O.G.® OFFICER CONNECTION TO YOUR CHAPTER MEMBERS.

A WORD FROM THE REGION

Daytona Bikeweek is officially in the books for 2019. We had a great time, especially on some mid-week rides. Thank you to the Daytona Chapter for doing an excellent job hosting the rides. Hopefully all of you have had a chance to get out riding as well.

As we gear up for the season, remember it's all about having fun. Don't over-complicate things and do some new and exciting rides—longer, shorter, earlier, later, mid-week, adventurous. Don't let spring pass you by without getting out and smelling the fresh air.

We just kicked off the rally season with the "Cajun Country H.O.G. Rally" in Lafayette, LA. Remember to sign up for a rally. There are lots to choose from. I look forward to seeing many of you out on the road! Also, if you haven't already, get those mileage entries in to start the annual Ride 365 program for your members. Ride more, smile more, laugh more!



PETE SCHWAB

H.O.G. Regional Manager
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HOG.COM INTEGRATION

You may have noticed [HOG.com](#) content has been integrated into [Harley-Davidson.com](#). This will be the new home for everything H.O.G. The transition is still in progress with more content and refinements being added to the website.

This change allows members and non-members alike to access Harley Owners Group events, activities and benefits information and will facilitate awareness of our H.O.G. community to a wider audience. General information will be available without the need to log in. Event registration (i.e., rallies, officer training) that is limited to H.O.G. members, however, will require logging in.

To access H.O.G. content, go to [Harley-Davidson.com](#), select “Owners” at the top and then select “Harley Owners Group” on the menu.

H.O.G. BENEFITS

Roadside Assistance

Getting the most out of the riding season means being prepared for the unexpected. One of the many benefits of being a H.O.G. member is the Roadside Assistance Program. Receive one service every calendar year with a maximum coverage of \$100 per year to get you and your bike safely to the nearest Harley-Davidson dealership. H.O.G. members can also choose to upgrade their coverage with three optional packages detailed on [hog.com](#).

Ride 365 Journey Challenges

Yet another reason to ride this season is the new Ride 365 Journey Challenge, which replaces the ABCs of Touring program. We’ve simplified the process of earning points and made it even easier to win prizes.

4 ways to earn points

- Get a point for a dealership visit and stop in as many dealerships as you want anywhere in the world
- Points for any H.O.G. Rally visit
- Points for any H.O.G. Member Check-In
- And points for a photo at any of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company facilities

When you arrive at any of these destinations, just take a photo with a 2019 H.O.G.® magazine cover clearly identifiable to earn points. Go [here](#) for details.

H.O.G. RALLIES

For those of us who love to ride, one of the most exciting times of the year is upon us...riding season! That means the start of all the great Regional and Touring Rallies planned for the spring and summer months. Grab your riding buddies and make plans to attend one or several of them. You'll find more information on each rally at HOG.com.

Stationary Rallies

Last Frontier

Wasilla, AK
June 13 - 15

Curves to Cores

Winchester, VA
June 19 - 22

Rocky Mountain

Breckenridge, CO
June 27 - 29

Great Lakes

Boyer Falls, MI
July 18 - 20

Iron Adventure

Ludlow, VT
July 18 - 20

Enchanted Mountain

Ellicottville, NY
August 8 - 10

Western

Victorville, CA
September 12 - 14

Hills 'n' Hollers

Johnson City, TN

Touring Rallies

Riding the Sierras

Bakersfield, CA, to Sacramento, CA
May 29 - June 1

Run to the Fun

Milwaukee, WI, to Sturgis, SD
August 1 - 4

Run to the Sun

Begins and ends in Great Falls, MT
August 13 - 16

Old West

Topeka, KS, to Tombstone, AZ
September 16 - 22

September 18 - 21

H.O.G. CHECK-INS – DAYTONA

Daytona is almost here and there are several special H.O.G. events planned that you won't want to miss. [Check them out here:](#)

H.O.G. Member Check-In - Thunder Beach Bike Rally

15238 Front Beach Road
Panama City Beach, FL
Wednesday, May 1 – Saturday, May 4, 2019
9 am - 4 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Myrtle Beach Bike Week

4002 U.S. 17
North Myrtle Beach, SC
Thursday, May 9 – Sunday, May 19, 2019
9 am - 4 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Ohio Bike Week

5316 Milan Road
Sandusky, OH
Saturday, May 25 – Saturday, June 1
11 am - 6 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Rolling Thunder

9407 Livingston Road
Fort Washington, MD
Saturday, May 25, 9 am – 5 pm
Sunday, May 26, 8 am – Noon

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Laconia Motorcycle Week

1122 Route 106 North
Loudon, NH
Monday, June 10 – Saturday, June 15
9 am - 5 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Hot Harley Nights

2601 West 60th Street North
Sioux Falls, SD
Friday, July 12 – Saturday, July 13
9 am - 5 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Sturgis Motorcycle Rally

19942 South Dakota 79

Vale, SD

Saturday, August 3 – Saturday, August 10

9 am - 5 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Bikes, Blues & BBQ Rally

1255 South Razorback Road

Fayetteville, AR

Wednesday, September 25 – Saturday, September 28

9 am - 5 pm

H.O.G. Member Check-In – Reno Street Vibrations

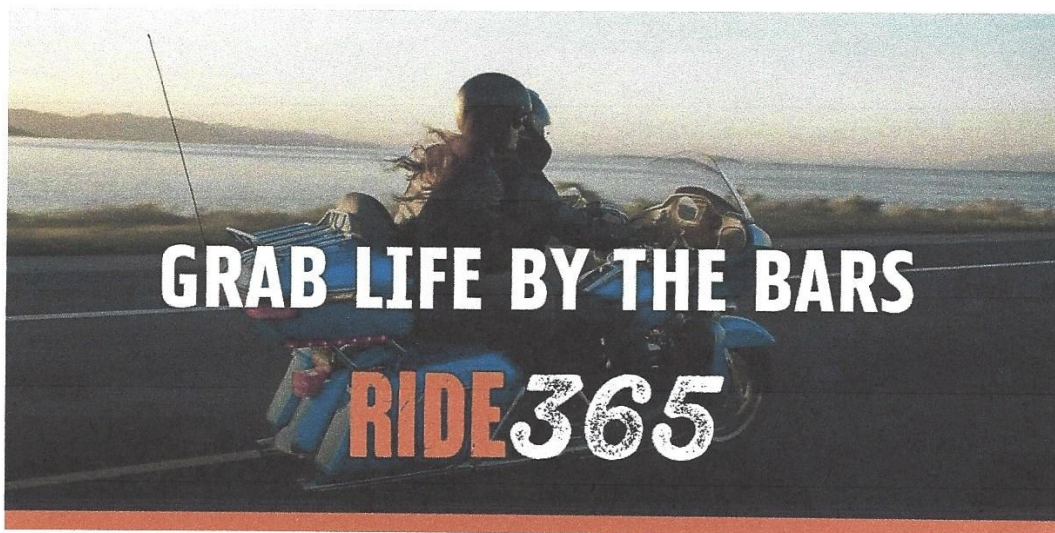
2315 Market Street

Reno, NV

Friday, September 27 and Saturday, September 28

9 am - 5 pm

All dates, locations, times and activities are subject to change.



Warmer weather means riding season is here and it's time to start counting every mile toward this year's Ride 365 program. If they haven't already, make sure your Chapter members visit any Harley-Davidson dealership to get their odometer mileage validated. Then get out, ride and have fun—what we're all about at H.O.G. As you and your members enjoy every mile this season, you'll be earning your way

to rewards through Ride 365's Lifetime Mileage Recognition, Annual Mileage Recognition and the Chapter Challenge. Find out more about Ride 365 and watch your Chapter mileage grow [here](#).

Top 10 Chapters for members registered (Quarter 1):

KANSAS CITY NORTHLAND CHAPTER	450
INDYWEST CHAPTER PLAINFIELD INDIANA	272
ORANGE COAST CHAPTER ORANGE COUNTY CA	268
FORT LAUDERDALE CHAPTER	258
OLD TOWN CHAPTER BRANDON FL	129
OCEAN STATE CHAPTER RHODE ISLAND	113
BLACK HILLS CHAPTER	111
DERBY CITY CHAPTER LOUISVILLE KY	106
SAN DIEGO CHAPTER	105
THE WOODLANDS TEXAS CHAPTER	100



H.O.G. CHAPTER TIPS

As your Chapter gears up for another riding season, be sure to review the basics of the H.O.G. Chapter Insurance Program. The program ensures that your Chapter is covered, at no charge, during events. Basic insurance coverage is provided for closed-member events, as well as open events with completion of a non-approved or open-activities application. Your Chapter also has the option to purchase additional coverage if needed.

Ensure your Chapter is protected by becoming familiar with the Chapter Insurance Program and the options available to you. Find program details on page 59 of the H.O.G. Handbook and in the event insurance guidelines on page 9. If you haven't already, you can download the H.O.G. Handbook on hog.com.



A few of our Ladies of Harley

