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Fall is here..or is it winter?

BY TIM JONES

Director- 2019 EC HOG

Ahh, yes, the fall, all two weeks of it?? I love the fall, my favorite time of the year for riding. As of this writing, Thursday Nov. 7 the weather report is for a high of 20 degrees ahead the coming week. Really??

I am pleased to write this article, as we are on our way to 2020 with a full crew of Primary Officers. The BOD approved everyone nominated and accepting of the positions for 2020! Mike Coco shall be Director. Tim Jones (me) Assistant Director. George Turner Treasurer. Christina Copeland Secretary.

We still have vacant secondary positions in great need of filling going into 2020. The position of Head Road Captain is open as well as the Membership Officer and Activities Officer.

Mike Coco will appreciate your interest so contact him if you do or have questions.

I hope to see all the members who are able to attend our Christmas Party at Tuckers on Dec. 14th and let's have some fun.

This year wraps up my four years as Director of the greatest HOG Chapter ever. I was warmly welcomed into this Chapter when my wife and I came to town in 2013, as I hoped we would be. Relocating to the Upstate with my job in 2013 and later in 2016 ending my career with the heavy equipment industry after 42 yrs..and beginning my new Realtor career, all while living here in Anderson. I had been introduced to the local Chapter life in 2011 by the Director of another great SC HOG Chapter at the time and knew I had found what I was looking for when it comes to riding. Harley Davidson, as tattooed on my left arm since 1980, being my desired brand to ride and the fact that HOG is THE riding club of Harley Davidson Motorcycles goes together just like peas and carrots, as Forrest Gump once said. And speaking of food, another delicious reason to ride with the HOG's as we find some mighty good places to ride and eat. I have made some lifelong friends and even said goodbye unfortunately to some who went on to ride the golden road during my time here in Anderson.

I look forward to working with my fellow Officers this coming year and am excited to see Mike Coco bring new ideas and thoughts for fun in 2020.

I always try to not lose sight of that day when I was introduced to the HOG life and pay it forward by sharing the word with others that I come into contact with. HOG may not be for everyone, but group riding is my idea of comradery, safety and fun. Following HOG rules and our own Chapter ride guide gives me a greater feeling of safety on the ride with our folks (and my wife being one of them).

Please don't hesitate to ask me or any of the others in an officer position about the duties they fulfill if you may be interested.

Let's roll into 2020 with hopes for a great year ahead....and Let's Ride!!

Tim Jones

Director – Electric City HOG



Riding with the Safety Officer

Safety Officer Newsletter Article October 2019

The temperatures are starting to fall and so are the leaves. The scenery while riding in the upper elevations is beautiful this time of year. This is, by far, my favorite time to ride. I like riding in cooler climate, wearing a jacket and gloves, cruising through the curves taking in the seasonal colors. Which brings me to the point of this article; we must watch out for leaves in the road. Leaves can pose as much of a hazard as many other obstacles on the roadway so treat them much the same.

First, be alert. Always the first rule of riding a motorcycle. Know that the potential of encountering fallen leaves in your path is increased and be prepared to take the necessary precautions and actions.

- Look for the path of least danger and take it. Often that will be either near the center line or in the center of your lane where vehicles have blown most of the leaves out of the way.
- Slow your roll, especially if you're in a curve. Common sense of course but it doesn't hurt to remind yourself.
- Reduce your lean angle to maintain the maximum contact patch for your tires.
- Relax your grip to reduce the tension in your arms so you are less likely to make a "knee jerk" reaction which can cause you to lose control.
- Stay off the brakes if possible and only use light pressure if you must brake.
- Breathe normally, or a little more deeply to stay calm and ride on. You should be able to handle these type hazards because you have worked on your skills and are confident in your ability to ride in all kinds of conditions.

Also, it may be a good idea to mention that you should check the air pressure in your tires today. Cooler temperatures will cause your tires to lose pressure and proper pressure helps the handling of your bike.

Remember, a better rider is a safer rider. Have fun and ride safe.

Ken H.



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769 Minutes of the September 3, 2019 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Hill

Opening prayer was given by George Turner

Pledge of Allegiance was led by J.B. Clifton

Roll Call (Melissa Clemons) Enrollment 99, Members Present 33, 2 new members

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director) – absent due to death in the family

Tim Hill (Assistant Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the September meeting.
- **Bike Night reminder** – First Thursday of the month. Mike Coco (volunteer coordinator) passing sign up sheet for volunteers for gate duty.
- **Primary officer elections** - We need replacement officers for elections in 2 months. Tim Jones, Tim Hill, and Pam Waitekus plan to retire. The vacant Secretary position needs to be filled as well. It is time to pass the torch, so please see any current officers if you have questions about the positions. The BOD will be soliciting names of interested candidates for the November officer elections. Let's keep ECHOG great!
- **Non-primary positions** – Head Road Captain, Activities Officer, and Membership Officer positions available.

Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)

- **Financial Report**
- See Pam for merchandise sales

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).
- **Christmas stockings** – A list was passed around for volunteers for \$30 for stocking donation to Foothills Alliance.
- **Quilt raffle** – Benefitting Quilts of Valor. Tickets are \$5 each. Quilt donated by Jeannie Jensen. Raffle winner announced at October LOH meeting.
- **September meeting** – Carole Bingham, jewelry representative
- **Rides scheduled** – Sept. 7, Hiawassee – Oct. 5, Dillard House

Ken Higginbotham (Safety Officer)

- No new info

Gary Clemons (Head Road Captain)

- **Rides are posted as scheduled.**
- Final rides for the year are being sent to Road Captains to schedule

Timms Representative (none present)

Drawings

- **Chapter Pride:** Brenda Hill
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD:** Steve McCullough
- **Door Prize Winners** of \$20.00 gift cards: Chris Painter, Cheryl McCullough
- **50/50 Winner of \$50.00:** Gary Clemons

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by **Melissa Clemons, Membership officer**



ELECTRIC CITY HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #4769 Minutes of the October 1, 2019 Chapter Meeting

Meeting called to order by Tim Jones
Opening prayer was given by George Turner
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Robert Redman
Roll Call (Melissa Clemons) Enrollment 99, Members Present 42, 2 guests

Officers Reports

Tim Jones (Director)

- **Welcome** – Tim welcomed everyone to the October meeting.
- **Bike Night reminder** – Last bike night of the year. Mike Coco (volunteer coordinator) passing sign up sheet for volunteers for gate duty as needed.
- **Primary officer elections** - We need replacement officers. Tim Jones, Tim Hill, and Pam Waitekus plan to retire. The vacant Secretary position needs to be filled as well. It is time to pass the torch, so please see any current officers if you have questions about the positions. The BOD will be soliciting names of interested candidates for the November officer elections. Let's keep ECHOG great!
Mike Coco nominated for Director. Tim Jones nominated for Assistant Director. George Turner nominated for Treasurer.
- **Non-primary positions** – Head Road Captain, Activities Officer, and Membership Officer positions available. Karen Blomberg to remain LOH director.
- **Mileage Challenge** – Deadline to turn in mileage is the November chapter meeting. Please have a primary officer or Timms Service Department sign off on ending mileage, no exceptions.
- **Christmas Party** – December 14 at Tucker's. Finances are being reviewed for to provide the best experience. Musical entertainment ideas or volunteers appreciated. Please submit ideas and/or requests for party activities. A sign up sheet will be available at the November meeting. Deadline for sign up will be the November LOH meeting.

Pam Waitekus (Treasurer's Report)

- **Financial Report**
- See Pam for merchandise sales

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).
- **Christmas stockings** – Available for pick up tonight. \$30 for stocking donation to Foothills Alliance. Stockings need to be returned at the November chapter meeting.
- **Quilt raffle** – \$221 collected to date for Quilts of Valor. Tickets are \$5 each. Quilt donated by Jeannie Jensen. Raffle winner announced at October LOH meeting.
- **October meeting** – quilt raffle
- **Rides scheduled** –Oct. 5, Dillard House has become a chapter ride. All are welcome.

Ken Higginbotham (Safety Officer)

- **No new info**

Gary Clemons (Head Road Captain)

- **Rides are posted as scheduled.**

Timms Representative (none present)

Drawings

- **Chapter Pride:** Nancy Sutherland (not present)
- **Winner of \$25.00 gift card donated by Timms HD:** George Turner
- **Door Prize Winners** of \$20.00 gift cards: Donna Graham, Neil Wagner
- **50/50 Winner of \$60.00:** John Munns

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Melissa Clemons, Membership officer



Take the time to introduce yourself to any of the new members (or any member you may not know). Remember when you first joined the family? How you felt coming in as a stranger? I think we all can relate. Show your southern hospitality, and aren't we all here for the camaraderie and group riding fun?



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/>

**Once more I give thanks to our Road Captains for leading us on our great riding adventures and helping us make
history!!**

ELECTRIC CITY HOG ROAD CAPTAINS 2019

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And our Lady
Road Captains

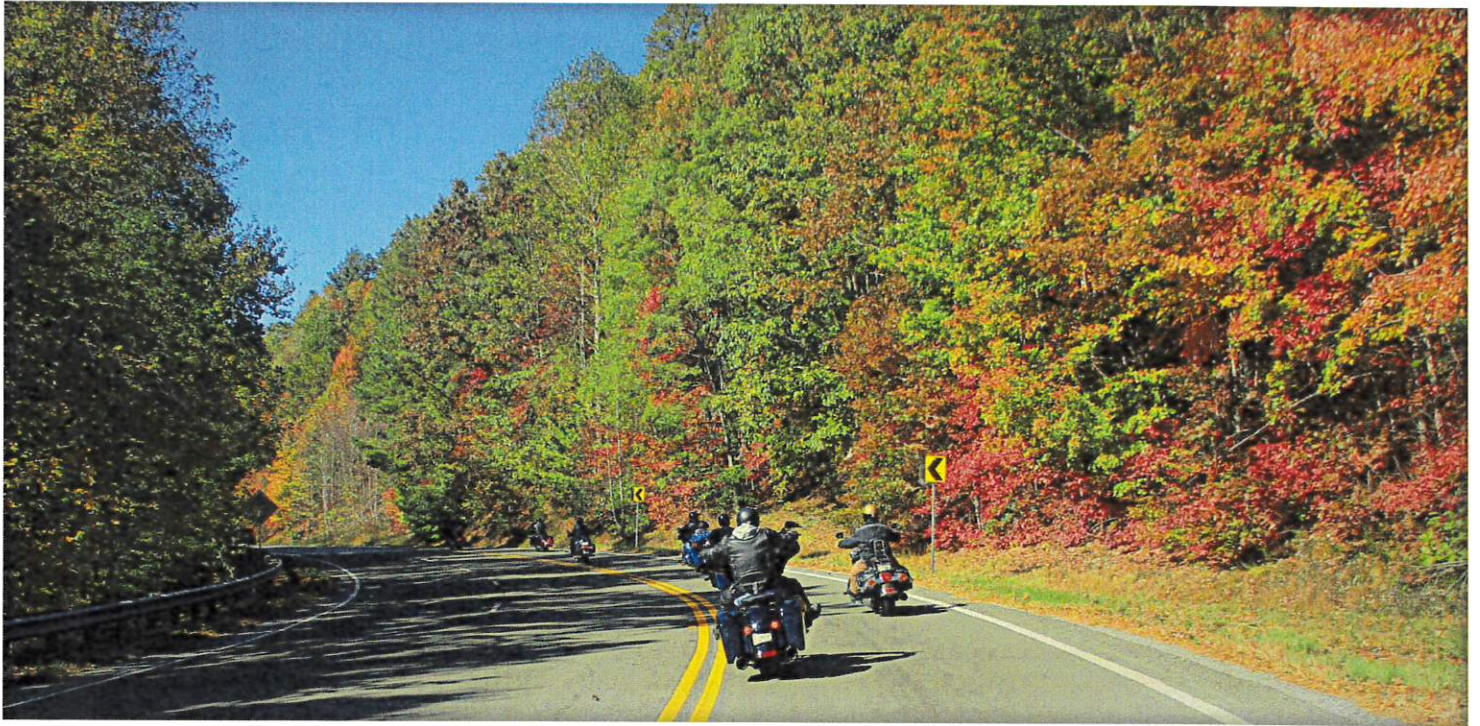
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Note from Tim Jones- Director.

Road Captains reminder for remainder of 2019 sign in sheets can be e-mailed to Melissa Clemons at melcost@bellsouth.net.

Give me the sign in/guest waivers in paper form at the next following Chapter Meeting if this works best for you.





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