



Hog Wash



South Central Wisconsin
Janesville Chapter
Harley Owners Group 5547

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NOTICE: Newsletter copies will be available for pick up at Kutter HD after the first of the month. Name, phone, e-mail, and physical address changes need to be provided to Donna McCormick as soon as possible.

NOTE OF THANKS: I would like to thank everyone for the pretty plant while I was sick. I'm getting better every day but not fast enough. Diane Ellis

LADIES OF HARLEY MEETING: Ladies of Harley will be meeting on Saturday, March 10, at 10:00 am. The location is at Sandy Bingham's house.

DIRECTORS CORNER----*GENE SCHAEITEN*

It looks like the old fashioned Wisconsin winter has returned after a few years of mild weather---now let's hope this is short lived and when April hits we can get back on the road.

The MDA bike raffle at the Moose Club was a smashing success and it was great to see all the winners there and able to collect their prize in person.

Now that the event is over, we go right into the chapter's annual fund raiser and the tickets are at Kutter's. This year the chapter will be raffling off a Road King and an 883 Low. The money the chapter raises goes to support the chapter over the next year. The events this includes are the Camden Park Ride, Breast Cancer Ride, Humane Society Ride and the Christmas donations to the needy families in Rock and Walworth Counties. The chapter Christmas Party is funded with these funds, along with the rent and expenses of the places where we have our chapter meetings. As we all know, it gets harder to sell raffle tickets and this is where we need your help to get out and sell these, as we have a very short time to make this event a success. The drawings will be a Kutter's open house May 5th. There is a sign-up list in the white book at Kutter's for volunteers to work on Saturdays to sell these tickets. If you want to earn some points please sign-up and then see Sonny on the day you are scheduled to work.

The March 18th chapter meeting will again be at The Best Western Motel in Janesville. This is the last meeting to renew your membership before your name is taken off the active list and you will no longer receive the chapter newsletter. Make a point to make this meeting to sign up and keep our chapter strong.

Thanks again for all of your help. It is appreciated.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR----*Deb Duncan*

Wow, as I write this, it is February 24 and we are having blizzard like conditions. It is hard to think about spring on a day like this.....I would much rather be riding down a country road, the sun shining, wind blowing past our ears, just enjoying the scenery. I guess that is just day dreaming today.

Anyway, if you would like to sell 50/50 tickets at a meeting, please sign up in the chapter book. I will contact those who sign up the week prior to the meeting to work out the details.

We still have some rooms available for State Rally. It is being held in Racine, August 17 – 19th. The rooms are at the Marriott, \$139.00 per night, 2-night minimum. They do have a shuttle that runs from the hotel to the rally location to make it a little easier for those wishing to party it up. If you are interested, please contact me for reservation information.

Welcome again to our new members, if you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact any of the chapter officers. Stay warm, think spring and we'll see you at the meeting in March!

Activities Officers----*Bruce & Linda Schumacher*

Please see the attached poster.

Secretary----*Donna McCormick*

Chapter points will be posted in the book approximately the second week of April and monthly thereafter. Chapter attendance points are transmitted to Kutter's M.V.P. administrator no later than a week after chapter meetings. Questions regarding M.V.P. points need to be directed to Kutter HD, not the chapter.

Dealer News----*Roz McKennon*

No news this month.

Editor----*Teri Barbieur*

Newsletter deadline for April is March 25th. Contact info is listed on the front page.

Road Captain----*Jes Schild*

Is this a repeat of last year or what? January was nice and warm, then February comes along and it's cold. I don't think I like February any more.

I need someone to set up an after meeting ride for March, as I don't think I will be able to do it. It's not hard to do. Contact me at 608-921-6369 or email me at srcjes@hotmail.com. We are also looking for assistant Road Captains after meeting rides in April and September and special event rides. Contact Rick Harle or me to sign up or for more information, or you can sign up in the HOG book at Kutter HD.

I am also looking for Road Guards for the MDA Tub Run. For you new members of the chapter, a Road Guard is someone that stands at an intersection while the MDA Tub Run rides through. Contact Bob Duncan or me or sign up in the HOG Book at Kutter HD. If you were a Road Guard last year and want to be again this year, please let us know.

See you all at the March meeting.

As always, Ride safe, Heads up - Rubber down.

Assistant Road Captain----*Rick Harle*

Just when we were done with winter, we get hit with another storm. Its Sunday morning, Feb 25th and I am sitting here looking out at the rain/snow mix coming down. Just last week I heard Harley's out on the roads. Oh well, at least it should not be around very long. Im sure were all itching to get out there. We had quite a turnout at the MDA bike raffle at the Moose club. I think it's neat to see someone we know in the chapter win the bike. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the March meeting. Hopefully the weather will be better by then.

Photographer----*Laura Farnsworth*

Well, February flew by, and there was actually a pretty nice stretch of warm weather where Roger went out and started the bikes. I wish I could have been home when he did it, because I get excited just imaging what it sounded like.

Thank you for the beautiful flower arrangement that you sent to me this week after my arthroscopic knee surgery. There are sunflowers, roses, tulips and carnations in a red vase with a red gingham checked bow around it. It certainly put a smile on my face, and a question mark in Roger's mind as to who my secret admirer might be. This is the third surgery I've had since I've been a member and the first time I've received flowers. I'm glad I've stepped forward as a volunteer so that you know who I am now.

It's too bad that the bowling event had to be canceled because of weather, but I'm glad at the same time, because I sure didn't want to drive last night. The bowling event is always a fun time I've heard, and I was looking forward to the opportunity to capture the moments on "film". Taking photos indoors in dim lighting is tricky, and I am looking forward to the learning experience.

I still have DVD's for sale if anyone is interested. It's a good sampling of people and events of last year. They're \$5.00 and I will have them again at the next meeting. This year I hope to be able to cover more events with the help of stand-in photographers for the events I can't attend. The sign up sheet is in the white book at Kutter's if you'd like to make yourself available. All you need is a good eye, a digital camera, and high speed internet. Please contact me with any questions, and I will be in touch with you if your assistance is needed. Thanks, and keep smiling!

Membership Officer----*Perry Wolf*

No news this month.

Merchandise Coordinators ----*Sandy Barth & Charlene Schaetten*

NEW - For sale, MDA denim shirts. Tub logo with orange pig. This is a new fundraiser for MDA and will be available at chapter meetings and also at the Tub Run. Orders were taken at the February meeting. If you ordered, please pick up at the meeting, For the March meeting, we will have shirts available for sale. Shirts are in both men and ladies sizes. Cost is: S-XL (\$25); 2XL \$28); 3XL and larger (\$30). Help support MDA. Also great as gifts.

OLD - ONLY A FEW STYLES AND SIZES AVAILABLE FROM 2006 supply:

Men's - Black SS T-Shirt - Was \$21, NOW only \$10 (1 L only)

Men's - Black LS Henley - Was \$26, NOW only \$10 (1 3XL only)

Men's - Natural SS Henley - Was \$24, NOW only \$10 (3 XL only - size more like 2 XL)

White Sweatshirt - Was \$26, NOW \$10 (3 L, 1 XL, 2 XXL)

Patches - HOG, Chapter and LOH (small and large) will be available at regular prices.

Ladies of Harley----*Sandy Bingham*

Thank you everyone for all of your delicious baked goods for the bake sale on February 17th. We donated \$182.00 to MDA. Thank you also to those that worked that day, as well as the buyers.

Hope all are having a fun month, especially with that little teaser of nice weather. Spring is not far off.

We had a great turnout for the bake sale in all areas, items for sale, buyers and those fabulous sellers. Thank you to Mary Devins, Mary Giannone, Linda Schumacher, Shiela Lund, Kathy Buchs, Brenda Chesebro, Phyllis Harle, Marilyn Larson, Mary Lexa, Donna McCormick, and Joyce Ronan for all of your help. The Chapter, the MDA, and I certainly appreciate you.

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, March 10 at 10:00 a.m. at Sandy Bingham's house. Please email (ppmnus@charter.net) or call 608-752-7256 for directions. (I may even have some food and beverages ready for you.) We will be working on our two benefit rides this year, the animal shelter and Breast Cancer Research. We appreciate **all** help and ideas. If you have ideas or would like to help and cannot make the meeting, please call or e-mail and let us know what those ideas are and how you can help.

Safety Officers----*Mike Fagan & Mike Borgwardt*

Happy March & Happy St. Patrick's Day! I never thought it would get here after such a long cold winter February. Safety is an ongoing mental and physical event when we are riding our motorcycles, hopefully again this month. I want to talk about "SAFELY CROSSING RAILROAD TRACKS". Crossing railroad tracks can be hazardous for two reasons. First, there's a risk that your tires will become trapped between the rails and the adjacent grooves. Railroad tracks that are parallel to the direction of travel make avoiding these traps difficult. It is critical to cross the tracks at an angle that is as close to perpendicular as possible. This means swinging away from the tracks then back to achieve a safe approach angle. The other danger is traction loss. It's no surprise that metal tracks and the surrounding wood or plastic are slick when wet, but these surfaces offer little traction even when dry. Cross railroad tracks using steady throttle and no brakes or steering inputs. It's also smart to raise your butt off the seat to help the motorcycle absorb the bumps. See you soon!

Webmaster----*Michael Cullen*

No news this month.

MDA TUB RUN UPDATE----*Dave Alwin*

Hey everyone!

I'm going to try and keep this short because I'm recovering from surgery and my shoulder is very sore as I type this. Another MDA Bike Raffle has come and gone, and again, you all made it another huge success. I still haven't got all the numbers while I write this, but it looks as though we will net over \$47,000.00 on this year's raffle!!

I thought the Moose Club worked out great for us. I heard a lot of positive comments about the facility and they are very excited to have us back next year. We estimate that we had 550 plus people at the time of the drawing, and there was room enough for a couple hundred more people, comfortably too. It got a little smoky for a while on the bingo side, but that was because they didn't have the exhaust fans on. Once they fired those buggers up, it wasn't that bad. I didn't hear much about people waiting for a drink so that was a good thing. All in all, I think we found ourselves a great place for many more raffles to come.

This year was a first for the raffle. Not only were all the winners present at the drawing, they all sold themselves the winning tickets! How cool is that? First place winner was Greg Huffman, who decided to take the \$12,000.00. If you remember, Greg is the one who won the 883 Sportster at the Tub Run in 2005. Two bikes in 20 months, what are the odds of that happening again? The one night stay at the Sybaris Chalet Pool Suite went to David Hansen of Janesville. The \$200 gift certificate from Kutter's went to Dee Iseli. If I were Dee, after the drawing, I would have gone up to Dejope Casino. She won something in every raffle we had that day. She won something in the small raffle, she was one of the four \$200.00 winners we had in the 50/50 raffle, and she won third prize in the big raffle. You go girl!!!

You people did another amazing job with this raffle. The 5,448 tickets sold were only six tickets behind last year's record. We are only a little less than 16 weeks before the Tub Run is here. It will be here before you know it people. Keep the dates open, June 15th and 16th. Thank you all very much for all that you did for this raffle, and for your continued support for MDA throughout the year. I appreciate it, the people from MDA appreciate it, and I know the clients and families that MDA serves really appreciate it. You people are the best.

April

Date	Event/Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
April 7 th	Riders Edge Classes Start	TBA	Kutter HD	Open
April 14 th	Grays Brewery Tour Ride	TBA	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
April 15 th	Chapter Meeting & LOH Meeting/Marine Corps League	10:00 A.M.	Gene Schaetten/Sandy Bingham	Closed
April 29 th	May Day Ride/Kutter HD	12 Noon	Jes Schild	Closed

May

Date	Event/Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
May 5	Kutter HD Open House/Camden Park Poker Run	10:00 A.M.	Kutter HD	Open
May 18	Fish Dinner Ride/Kutter HD (Riding to Tubbies Too)	6:30 P.M.	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
May 19	Ride to Kutter HD Open House in Monroe/Kutter HD, Janesville	10:30 A.M.	Jes Schild	Closed
May 20	LOH Chapter Breakfast/Thresherman's Park	9:00 A.M.	Sandy Bingham	Closed
May 20	Chapter Meeting & LOH Meeting/Chapter Photo/Thresherman's Park	10:00 A.M.	Gene Schaetten/Sandy Bingham	Closed
May 20	Road Guard Meeting/Thresherman's Park MDA Road Guard Ride	After Meeting 11:30	Jes Schild/Bob Duncan	Closed (all members welcome)

June				
Date	Location/Event	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
June 3	Chicken Run to Rockton, WI	TBA	Joe Barbieur	Closed
June 7	Janesville Bike Night/Monroe Bike Night	TBA	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
June 9	Chapter Ride for Lunch	10:00	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
June 14	Janesville Bike Night/Monroe Bike Night	TA	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
June 15	MDA Tub Run Registration MDA Tub Run Poker Run Tub Run Bike Show Pig Roast and Band	1-7 P.M. 3P.M. 6-8P.M.	Dave Alwin	Open
June 16	MDA Tub Run Registration Tub Run Ride Tun Run Games Steak Dinner and Band MDA Silent Auction until 8P.M.	9-11:45AM 12 Noon 5:30 P.M.	Dave Alwin	Open
June 17	MDA Park Clean-Up	TBA	Dave Alwin	Closed
June 21	Janesville Bike Night/Monroe Bike Night	TBA	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
June 27	Quaker Steak & Lube Dinner Ride	6:30 P.M.	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed
June 28	Janesville Bike Night/Monroe Bike Night	TBA	Bruce & Linda Schumacher	Closed

Closed Events are those chapter events, which are open to chapter members and one guest per member.

Member Events are events that are open only to H.O.G. members.

Open Events are those chapter events, which are open to chapter members, national H.O.G. members, and other guests as desired.

