



Hog Wash

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South Central Wisconsin
Janesville Chapter
Harley Owners Group 5547

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Sunday, January 20th, 2008 Chapter Meeting
9:00AM Membership Renewals, 10:00 AM Meeting
Best Western, Janesville

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DIRECTORS CORNER----*GENE SCHAETTEN*

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and great New Years. Hasn't this weather been something? It tried to wipe out the chapter Christmas Party but the majority made it and the food was good, the prizes were great and Red Hot Ken Scott did his usual great job keeping people at the party until late into the evening.

At the Christmas Party the Primary Officers were announced and they are Gene Schaetten-Director, Perry Wolf-Assistant Director, Deb Duncan – Secretary, Sonny Pabst – Treasurer.

With the New Year comes our annual sign-up of the membership at the Best Western. Hopefully we will see everyone back and ready to go for another year. The January will be a busy meeting as we will have a speaker from Camden Park and James MulQueen the Service Manager will give a talk about proper care of our bikes. Come and have a coffee and roll and met your friends and enjoy the morning.

We will have the new 2008 calendars for sale and also the 2007 CD showing the events and people during 2007.

The big event of January is the MDA bike raffle at the Moose Club. As soon as that event is over the chapter will start its fund raiser and this year we will be giving away a 2008 Limited Edition 105 Anniversary Street Glide. This bike has extras such as a painted inner fairing.

If anyone is interested in rooms at the 2008 state rally at Ho-Chunk please see me for a application.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR----*Perry Wolf*

Hi everyone, as we move to a new year I would like to thank everyone for their support as the Membership Officer. I think you all should thank Deb Duncan for her effort as Assistant Director, she has done a great job as you all know. I look forward to working with you as Asst. Director in making this the best chapter in Wisconsin.
Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year from the Wolfclan.

Activities Officers----*Mike Blood / Linda Kuhnle*

Just a reminder about the Chili Cook-Off at Kutters on January 19th before the MDA raffle at the Moose Club. Stop in and sample the local fare.

Secretary----*Deb Duncan*

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you had a wonderful holiday. As a reminder, chapter membership renewals are January, February and March. Everyone who is interested in continuing his or her membership must renew. Renewal forms are attached to this newsletter and are on the website. See you at the January meeting – remember come early and have your membership form completed!

Dealer Representative --- *Lucy Andersen*

Hi Everyone!

I hope everyone (who was good AND bad!) received all the Harley gifts you were wishing for! Unfortunately I must have been a VERY bad girl as I didn't receive my Harley yet...ahhh, still time before Spring.

Speaking of Spring...DON'T wait for the warmer weather to get your Harley "ride ready". Now is the time to get those belts checked, oil changed, themed accessories installed...I could go on and on. Give our service department a call and James, Al or Pat will get your bike scheduled for pick-up (at NO charge within 70 miles), have one of our talented technicians show your bike some TLC and return it to the comforts of your garage BEFORE the Robin's start chirping. We do still have some room left in winter storage if you would like some extra room in your garage for that snow blower! Check out our website to get all the details on our winter storage and other great deals!

January 11th will start our 4th Annual Silent Auction for MDA! It will run through the 18th here at the Janesville dealership and then transfer over to the Moose Club on the 19th for the BIG bike raffle celebration! Please take the opportunity to stop in at Kutter and bid on these wonderful items that were donated by local businesses.

Our service manager, James, will be speaking at your next chapter meeting on the 20th, so feel free to ask him any questions you may have about our service department.

Our Price Thaw Sale starts January 25th and runs thru to our 3rd Annual ROAD HOG Day on February 2nd where our own Gene Schaetten will be riding our HOG outside Saturday morning. Stop by for refreshments and see if Robby Road Hog sees his shadow at 10:00!

Have a Safe and Happy New Year!

Editor----*Mary Jackson*

The deadline for the February newsletter is January 25th. I want to thank everyone for getting their articles to me in a timely fashion. It sure makes my job easier. Again, my email address is mvj9@charter.net.

Road Captain----*Jes Schild*

Assistant Road Captain----*Rick Harle*

I don't have much to say this month other than I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the MDA bike raffle January 19th which is also a special day for Phyllis and I, 34 years and counting.

Photographer----*Laura Farnsworth*

Membership Officer----*Phyllis Harle*

Reminder, please print membership forms clearly and try to have correct change. If there are any changes please ** by the new information so it will be easy to spot changes from previous information.

Merchandise Coordinator ----*Donna McCormick*

No news this month.

Ladies of Harley----*Connie Fisher*

WOW, a new year. Riding season is just around the corner. During Kutter's Price Thaw Sale (Jan. 28th. - Feb 2nd.), Ladies of Harley will have a donation barrel for a food drive to benefit Echo. When you shop that week please bring a non-perishable food item with you to drop off.

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

Happy New Year Riders! It won't be long until spring, if you are thinking that way. Here is a pointer to get you into the riding mentality.

You are riding on a 4 lane road in the far right lane, approaching a large delivery truck, a car approaches you in the left lane from behind preventing you from passing the truck, you are now close behind the truck with intentions of passing him soon, (tailgating). Suddenly, the truck swerves to the left, you don't know why, and suddenly a five foot piece of steel appears from between the truck's rear wheels. You react quickly, but there is not time to swerve around this object. You rise off the seat just before the front wheel whacks the steel and bounces over. The rear tire hits and causes the back of the motorcycle to jump into the air. After a brief moment of relief you realize a strange feeling in your bike's handling. You carefully direct the bike to the breakdown lane to discover that you have a flat front tire.

The lesson to learn here is to not tailgate a vehicle while waiting to pass. You would have been better off hanging back from the truck so you could see potential roadway hazards, as well as cars ahead that may be stopping quickly. With ample distance, you would have likely had time to swerve around the metal object. Think of the many things that may happen while riding, at any moment the situation may change, and you are in danger. This is a very good example which turned out not as serious as what potentially may have happened. Rider Safety is an every moment event!

Webmaster----*Michael Cullen*

Merry Christmas everyone. I hope Santa brought you some great Orange and Black or Chrome stuff underneath your tree. I did love the new H-D commercial with the bikes, dark Santa and the naughty list.....that was awesome.

Anyways - HOG stuff. Please check the website before the January, February and March meetings as you can download and complete the chapter membership application to bring with you and it will save you time and save our membership staff and helpers extra headaches.

I am working on this years calendar. I will post the months events in advance on the front page of the site and am trying to find a "free" on line calender that we can add to our site but after trying a couple have found bugs in all that I didn't like. Bear with me, if I haven't found anything suitable by the second week of January I will upload our old format.

More photos sent to me will be uploaded soon. Watch this space and don't forget to smile for Laura as she walks around at the meetings.

I didn't get a note in last month so I would like to thank the chapter for electing me (somewhat uncontested) to another year as web master. I am glad the chapter likes the site and am please every day that we are growing in number of visitors. Last count was over 8000 individual hits to the sites from almost every state and a few countries also.

On a personal note - a thanks to those who checked up on me during my last months illness. I appreciate it, I thought I had kept a low profile and things remained quiet but people checked in and up on me and your thoughts were appreciated. Better now and ready to work hard on the site.

Until next time, Have a safe NEW YEAR and here's to a GREAT 2008!

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

Good 2008 to you all!!!

We've turned the page on yet another year.....it seems like the years go quicker the older you get! Enough whining! I hope all of you had a wonder Christmas and you had a safe and fun New Year!

The bike raffle is on the 19th of January. That's the third Saturday of the month and the night before the HOG Chapter Meeting. Sorry folks! The festivities will start at the Moose Lodge around 3:30ish. We'll have the DJ again and the Blue Olives take the stage around 6:30 that night. There is a page in the book (under the MDA tab) at Kutters for people to sign up and help at the Moose Lodge that day. We need help with taking money at the door, selling 50/50 tickets, selling smaller raffle tickets, and we'll need help with the silent auction. We're trying something new this year by ending the silent auction out at the Moose Lodge that evening instead of at Kutters during the day. Please sign your name in the book with your phone number and I will contact you sometime during the week before the raffle and give you the where and what time.

We so need your help people!!!! There is still plenty of tickets to be sold before we draw for the bike!!!! Please stop out at Kutters and pick up a book or two and get them sold!! We can't sell the number of tickets we do every year without your help! Be sure to write your name on the back of the stubs so you can claim your \$100 reward for selling the first or second prize ticket. As always, you will get points for the time you work at the event and you'll get points for each book of tickets you sell.

I'll close by saying thank you all in advance for the continued support of this raffle each year and your support of the MDA throughout the entire year. Your support means the world to the people of MDA, and even more to the people that MDA serves. I don't say this enough to all of you, but you guys are a Royal Straight Flush in my book!! You can't get much better than that!

See ya at the bike raffle!!

Dave

January				
Date	Event/Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
January 19	MDA Bike Raffle- Moose Club Kutters MDA Silent Auction	6:00	Dave Alwin	Open
January 20	Chapter Meeting – Best Western	10:00		Closed
January 28	ECHO Food Drive – Ladies of Harley at Kutters		Connie Fisher	Open

February				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
February 2	Ground Hog Ride ECHO Food Drive - LOH			Closed
February 13	Ladies of Harley Night Out	7:00	Connie Fisher	Closed
February 17	Chapter Meeting – Best Western	10:00		Closed
February 23	Moonlight Bowling – Cougar Lanes, Clinton, WI	6:30	Mike Blood & Linda Kuhnle	Closed

March				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
March 9	Chapter Meeting – Best Western	10:00		Closed
March 15	Moonlight Bowling – Cougar Lanes, Clinton, WI	6:30	Mike Blood & Linda Kuhnle	Closed
March 30	April Fool's Day Ride	12- Noon		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.

