



# Hog Wash

March 2009



South Central Wisconsin  
Janesville Chapter  
Harley Owners Group 5547

Sponsored by Kutter Harley

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Best Western, Janesville, WI  
9:00 sign up, 10:00 a.m. meeting

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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 Deb Duncan as soon as possible.

**Thank You Note:** We would like to thank the Hog Chapter for the nice plant sent to us when Midge's brother Stanley Ronan passed away on February 8<sup>th</sup>....It meant a lot to us.  
Midge and Joyce Ronan

## **NOTICE**

## **MDA TUB RUN ROAD GUARDS**

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If you were a MDA Tub Run Road Guard last year and you want to be again this year, **please** let Bob Duncan or Jes Schild know. For you new members, that doesn't know what a MDA Tub Run Road Guard is and/or does: a Road Guard is a person or persons that stand at an intersection and blocks the traffic, rain or shine, while the MDA Tub Run rides through. If you would like to be a MDA Tub Run Road guard this year, go to the Chapter corner at Kutter H-D and sign up in the HOG Book in the MDA section, or call; **Jes: 608-921-6369, Bob: 608-754-3706**, or e-mail; **Jes: [srcrcjes@hotmail.com](mailto:srcrcjes@hotmail.com), Bob: [duncs@t6b.com](mailto:duncs@t6b.com)**. Sign up deadline is May 10, 2009

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPEN HOUSE POKER RUN**

I need help at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Camden Foundation poker run for stops and end tally. Contact **Jes** at **608-921-6369** or e-mail **[srcrcjes@hotmail.com](mailto:srcrcjes@hotmail.com)**, or go to the Chapter corner at Kutter H-D and sign up in the HOG Book in the May section.

### **Directors Corner----*Gene Schuetten***

Another successful MDA bike raffle at the Moose club and it was great to see a winner from Janesville and he took the bike. Thanks to Dave Alwin and those volunteers who helped make this a very successful event.

The sign-up meeting has been very well attended and new members have been joining. Remember the March meeting is the last to sign-up and continue your membership. If you have not paid your dues your name will be removed from the active list and you will no longer receive the newsletter.

At the February meeting we started handing out tickets for our May 2<sup>nd</sup> drawing of a 2009 Harley Davidson Street Glide. This bike is also equipped with cruise control and ABS brakes or the winner can take the \$12,000 cash.

I need your help on Saturdays at Kutters to man the table to sell raffle tickets from 10AM to 2PM. I have put sign up sheets in the book. You will earn points for your help. See Sonny on the day you sign up for and he will give you the tickets.

I know it is becoming harder to get people to buy the tickets and that is why we went to the Street Glide which is the number one seller for Harley Davidson. For those of you that might not know where the money goes that we receive for the raffle the following is a recap.

1. **Camden Park Charity Ride.** This poker run is done in conjunction of the Kutter's Open House and our bike drawing on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Camden Park was designed with the handicap in mind but is open to all children. Camden Park is located within Palmer Park in Janesville and all of its financial needs come from public donations. All the proceeds from the poker run go to the park and our chapter normally donates \$1,000 from our funds to help support the up-keep of the park. Your HOG chapter has supported this charity the longest of any charity run. We are hopeful to have the poker run stop at the park and we are looking to have a chapter work day at the park to help this organization spruce up the park. Camden Park had a speaker at our January meeting to keep our chapter updated on what is being done at the park.

2. **Hospice Ride.** This is a newer ride and if you were at the February meeting you would have heard a very good speaker from this organization. They are a very good support group for those that are ill and their families. This organization has offices in Janesville and Madison. There will be a poker run for this organization in conjunction with our August chapter meeting at Bobbleheads. The chapter will be making a donation with the approval of the chapter members.

3. **Breast Cancer.** Our chapter has been supporting this charity for a number of years and the proceeds from the charity ride have gone to Cancer research at the University of Wisconsin. In the past our chapter has donated, with chapter approval, \$1,000 to this charity. There will be a speaker from this organization at our March meeting. Breast Cancer has affected members of our chapter and hopefully a cure can be found in the very near future.

4. **Families in Need.** Each year our chapter donates money to assist families in need. In the past our chapter had also donated toys for children but we felt many local organizations were also doing the toy drives. We feel that there are families out there in need of food, clothes, help with their electric bills and heat. Families are chosen from Rock and Walworth counties and with the help of Cal Niemeier and Will McConnell and Lori MaClennan these families are assisted on the use of this money for their immediate needs. These families are never made public and your chapter assists with money donated at the Christmas Party and chapter donations of \$750 per family.

5. In recognition of the chapter members that donate their time throughout the year to chapter events and rides and they earn 16 points they are rewarded with a dinner at our chapter Christmas Party.

As you can see our chapter is involved with the local fund raisers for the local community above and beyond the MDA Tub Run that is held in June. This is why the ticket sales of the chapter bike is so important---without your help in selling tickets and participation in these events we cannot help these worthy charities.

Again thanks for your help and participation.

*Hope to see you at the March Meeting.*

### **Assistant Director----*Perry Wolf***

*This excerpt is from Sherry with Camden Park after our officers attended one of their board meetings.*

Sherry has asked if some of the chapter members would help at Camden Park. There is a Work Day planned and a Potluck Dinner on another day.

" From Sherry"

It was so great to have you and the others at the meeting tonight, I am so glad that everyone got the chance to meet some of the wonderful people who have supported CAMDEN Playground for so many years. We had such a fantastic time and we are so grateful to have found someone who may be able to help us with the "Wall of Distinction" also. That will be a huge load off our shoulders. Thank you!

Anyway, I wanted to send along what we have so far for our dates:

Work Day: Wednesday, April 29th, 3 pm-6 pm, Rain Date: Thursday, April 30th, 3 pm-6 pm  
Camden Potluck/Walk through/Meeting: Monday, August 17, 2009, 5:30 pm

Also.... I need 8 people to help out at the State Hog Rally on Friday June 19, 2009 to help with Texas Holdem. It runs from 11AM to 4PM. If you are able to volunteer please email me or sign up in the white book at Kutters.

Here the latest State Hog Rally news:

Hello Wisconsin HOG Chapters!

We know that everyone loves a parade, so we are going to make the one occurring at the Wisconsin State Rally even more special for you and your members.

This year we are inviting 1 bike from each chapter to carry their chapter flag during the parade. The person(s) who is/are participating must have a chapter flag to use and a mounting system to carry the flag. They will not ride with their fellow chapter members, so please take this into consideration.

The parade staging will take place on Saturday, June 20, 2009 from 4:00-5:00 pm, with the parade departing at 5:00pm.

If your chapter has an interest in this, please contact me prior to April 1st with the name and e-mail of the one or two people who will be riding the motorcycle carrying your chapter flag.

We will provide more details on the staging site and how you will gain entrance at a later date.

We look forward to your participation in the parade and other events at this years rally in Appleton.

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

Our bowling and euchre night out was canceled cause of the last snow storm we will have for this season. "I hope". We look into having it another night if Cougar Lanes has a opening and if we have enough people to make it a go. But for now our next get together is the bus trip to Milwaukee on 3/21 see you there.

### **Secretary----*Deb Duncan***

Reminder: In order to remain an active member, you must renew your local chapter membership prior to the end of March. The website password will be changed approximately April 1, 2009 and will only be provided to the active membership.

Gene Schaetten opened the meeting at 10:00am by welcoming everyone, thanking them for joining us and introducing Guest speaker, Lisa Brown from Hospice Care, Inc. Lisa talked about what Hospice Care was started, how they interact with the terminally ill and provided an overview of what they do. Additional services provide support to families for 13 months after the death of their loved one. Support groups have been established to continue supporting families as needed. SCWHOG August after meeting ride (Bobbleheads) will be held to support them and the services they provide for the community.

Dave Alwin, MDA Representative announced the winners of last night's drawing (2/14/2009) and informed the group that ticket sales were down by approx 300 from last year but considering the economy, he was satisfied. He is looking for corporate sponsors again. This year's ride will end in Beloit, next year we will be going back to Albany.

Deb Duncan – Secretary, reminded everyone of the need to renew membership before the end of March 2009 and will conduct the new members welcome meeting due to Perry Wolf, Assistant Director being absent.

Jes Schild, Road Captain discussed the need for road guards for the MDA Tub Run and Assistant Road Captains to assist with upcoming chapter rides.

Mike Blood discussed upcoming activities: bowling and museum trip.

Phyllis Harle, Membership office, introduced the new members and welcomed them to the chapter.

Lucy Anderson, Dealer Representative talked about the Pavilion at the dealership. Will be done for the May 2 Open House celebration. Lucy will be dancing for Alzheimer's on May 2, 2009 and needs to raise \$6,000.00 – contribute if you can, please.

Mary Jackson, Editor told the membership if they are NOT receiving e-mail messages from her, please send her an e-mail to assist getting clearing up some e-mail issues that have happened recently.

Lastly, Gene talked about the bike the chapter is selling tickets for and will be given away at the May open house. The funds raised from selling these tickets support not only the chapter but also the various charities we support thru out the year. If every member sold ONE book, we would be OK. Please do your part to help you chapter.

### **Dealer Representative --- *Lucy Anderson***

Bikes are moving, service is wrenching, calendar is turning and the walls are going up on the pavilion! I've been keeping an eye on our events calendar and filling it in for many exciting rides and parties for the year already. The weekends are getting filled with many options for you to choose from, but the weekdays are looking a bit empty. Would you like to ride after work for an hour or two...or should I leave the weekdays alone. Please email me and let me know your thoughts on this. What else would you like to see happen? Do you have any ideas for me to work on...let me know!

I was approached with an idea that was recently incorporated in our dealership. When you walk through the front entrance and look to the right, you will find a bulletin board with upcoming events in the Kutter, MVP and HOG organizations, pictures...whatever you would like to see. Let me know! We still have 6 seats left on the bus for the Milwaukee Harley Museum Trip... sign up now! Have a great month and I look forward to seeing you all in the dealership to say hi!

### **Editor---*Mary Jackson***

Newsletter articles are due March 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Road Captain---*Jes Schild***

Is winter over yet????! I am so ready for riding season to start, being retired and not working, I don't have all that much to do when the weather is like this. I want to RIDE. Sonny Bessel and I are working on carts for the MDA bar, tanks, and Ticket booth. The carts will make it easier to move them around. We are doing this at Sonny's shop, so he's doing most of the work. Thanks Sonny, for all the work you put in to them. It was a lot of fun working with you. I can't wait to see them in use. As no one stepped forward to lead the March, **weather permitting**, after meeting ride, I am planning to do it. Also, if no one jumps up and volunteers to lead the April Fools ride, I'll do it. That should make Davy Alwin happy. He thinks that as Road Captain, I should lead all the rides. I keep telling him, I'm trying to get more Chapter Members involved in leading rides. I also told him, it's harder to find people to lead rides than it is to lead them yourself.

There are lots of rides planed for this year. Between the Chapter's Dinner rides, Specialty rides, and Charity rides; Kutter's MVP Gold Rides and Charity rides; and our MDA Tub Run Corporate Sponsor's Git-R-Done runs for their favorite local charities, we have so many to choose from, we will be able to pick a ride any time we want. I'll talk about them as they get closer.

I am looking for someone to lay out a poker run for the Vets for Vets day at Kutter's. This is a Kutter H-D event and is on the 26<sup>th</sup> of Sept. I'm also looking for people to lead rides. These are not hard to do, and I can help you. Not only is it fun to do, you earn points too. It's so easy to be an Assistant Road Captain, just talk to me, or call me at **608-921-6369**, or e-mail me at **scrcjes@hotmail.com**, or go to the Chapter corner at Kutter H-D and sign up in the HOG Book in the Road Captain section.

May 2<sup>nd</sup> is the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Kutter Open House Poker Run for Camden Foundation. I need volunteers to help drawing cards at the end tally at Kutter's. Lucy also needs help for that day with parking and clean up and or such general help things. Go to the Chapter corner at Kutter's and sign up in the HOG book in the May section, or contact Lucy or me. Please sign up as soon as possible, so we can contact you.

June 20<sup>th</sup> is the date for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual MDA Tub Run. I'm sure you seasoned Chapter Members know what that means. For you new soon to be seasoned members, I am asking you to join the fun and become an MDA Tub Run Road Guard. What does a MDA Tub Run Road Guard do you ask? A Road Guard stands at an intersection and stops traffic while the MDA Tub Run rides through.

It's easy to be a MDA Tub Run Road Guard, talk to me or Bob Duncan by calling; **Jes: 608-921-6369, Bob: 608-754-3706**, or e-mailing us; **Jes: scrcjes@hotmail.com, Bob: duncs@t6b.com**, or going to the Chapter corner at Kutter H-D and sign up in the HOG Book in the MDA section, For you seasoned members that were Road Guards last year, please let us know you will be again this year. Please sign up by May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

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

### **Assistant Road Captain---*Rick Harle***

I would like to remind everyone and let new members know that anyone that is interested in organizing a ride should contact Jess or myself and let us know. Also spring is right around the corner, I hope, so now is the time to get your bike ready to go. Simple things to check like tire pressure, battery charged, and is the bike due for service? See everyone at the March meeting.

### **Photographer---*Laura Farnsworth***

Sorry you all didn't win the bike, but even more so, I'm sorry I didn't win the bike at the MDA raffle. Thank you Perry and Ken for taking photos for me. I hope you got some good shots. The DVD from last year's events is ready to show, and will be playing at the next HOG meeting. I will be selling copies for \$10. each, and if you want a DVD from past years, let me know and I'll see what I can do for you. I have all of the DVD's from the year 2004, so you could have the whole set, if you like.

The mornings on the way to work have been getting lighter and lighter, with the promise of better weather looming just ahead. I drive into the sunrise on the way to work, and into the sunset on my way home, wishing I was on my Harley. Back to reality... See you soon.

### **Membership Officer----*Phyllis Harle***

**We had 5 new members join at the February meeting they are Sneaky Pete, Anna Nickels, Ron Henriott, Richard Schulte and Frank Beles.**

March is the final renewal month if you can't make the meeting you can fill out the attached form and mail it to me, with a check for \$10.00. Make the check out to SCWHOG. It can be mailed to; Phyllis Harle

9668 Cunningham Rd

Winnebago, IL 61088

Thanks and see you at the March meeting Best Western again.

### **Merchandise Coordinator ----*Donna Casey***

I have some new ladies shirts and some new sweat shirts that either women or men can wear. Also some pink hooded sweat shirts. Lots of patches and pins, and zipper pulls for your jackets. See you at the next meeting.

### **Ladies of Harley----*Connie Fisher***

No news this month.

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

AGING EYES.....am I talking to you? Yes, I am. All of us are suffering from age related vision degradation! What you say? With age comes a loss of elasticity of the crystalline lens, which makes focusing on close objects difficult and creates problems when transitioning from distance to near objects. Low light situations and glare from oncoming headlights can become more of a problem as well.

The National Eye Institute on Aging suggests eye exams every two to four years if you are age 40 to 64 and every one to two years if you are 65 or older.

People with medical histories of eye problems are at higher risk and should be diligent about getting screened. No matter the age, it is imperative that you protect your eyes from injury and damage.

Always wear shatterproof eye protection when riding and sunglasses when appropriate. Soon we will be preparing for the riding season, I hope, it would be a good time to evaluate your vision health and if you need a check-up or an exam it is a good time to get it done before the weather warms and we just cannot wait any longer for that first ride. If you are so young that you don't think this applies to you, at least look at your goggles, sunglasses etc. the condition of the lenses, and get new scratch free lenses or new sunglasses as needed. You will be happy you did, especially when the sun shines. I guarantee it will, sooner than later, we are on the downhill slide now! Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!

### **Webmaster----*Michael Cullen***

No news this month

### **MDA Tub Run Update----*Dave Alwin***

Hello all. What a great night at the Moose Lodge on the 14<sup>th</sup>. The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Kutter Harley Davidson & The Moose Family Center Raffle to benefit the MDA was another huge success. I'm still waiting for the total from the "Have a Heart for MDA" festivities, but as it stands right now, we are at \$28,568.06 net!! With the economy the way it is and all the factories closing in the community, this is a tremendous accomplishment. This is the end result of all your hard work and dedication.

We sold a total of 4,102 tickets, compared to 4,209 last year. We figured we had about 500 people at the Moose Lodge at the time of the drawing. Bar sales were up, the 50/50 raffle was up, and the small raffle was up compared to last year. We had three \$180.00 winners in the 50/50 raffle and tons of great prizes in the small raffle. All three winners for the big raffle were from Janesville this year. Gary Zigler was the first prize winner and decided to take the Harley. Gary use to work at Hufcor with me for quite a few years and always rode Hondas. I really didn't expect him to take the money after all the ribbing and grief I gave him over the years. He called me Tuesday morning to tell me about his ride home Monday night. Needless to say, he is still excited. Shelly Nienow won the Dells get-away package, and Kevin Homan won the \$200 gift card from Kutter. The DJ did a great job and the band Mattom Pipestorm kicked er' down after we were done pulling the tickets.

We are still in need of corporate sponsors for the Tub Run this year. If you know of a business or a family that are interested in becoming a sponsor, have them get in touch with me or see Sonny or Dan at the parts department at Kutter for a form. Something new this year, the sponsors are able to pay their sponsor fees in monthly installments if they choose to do so, rather than paying in one lump sum. The deadline for sponsors this year is March 31<sup>st</sup>.

It was announced that Harley Davidson again honored our Chapter for having the second largest event in the nation for raising money for the MDA. Our final total for 2008 was \$153,875.00. That puts us at almost 1.3 million dollars in 14 years given to MDA by our Chapter. This is something that you all can be very proud of. All of your hours of planning, all of your year round hard work, and all of your donated hours of time does not go unnoticed. Thank you all for continuing to make the Tub Run THE event in the nation. MDA thanks you, the families that MDA serves thank you, and I thank you with all my heart. You guys are the cream of the crop. My hat, once again, is off to you all.

<b>March</b>				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
March 15	Chapter Meeting, Best Western Sign up 9:00, Meeting 10:00			Closed
March 21	Bus Trip to the Harley Museum, Milwaukee		Lucy/ Sonny	Closed
March 25	Newsletter deadline		Mary Jackson	

<b>April</b>				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
April 5	April Fool's Ride	12:00 Noon		Closed
April 19	Chapter Meeting, Hackbarth Hills, Janesville	10:00		Closed
April 24	Dinner Ride, Owl's Club	6:00		Closed
April 25	Newsletter Deadline		Mary Jackson	
April 26	May Day Ride	12:00 Noon		Closed

<b>May</b>				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
May 2	Kutter Open House, Janesville Camden Ride Chapter Bike Raffle	10:00a.m. 5:00 p.m.		Open
May 10	Mother's Day			
May 17	Chapter Meeting Breakfast at Thresherman's Park	10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.		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.

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP  
ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

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MEMBER NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY \_\_\_\_\_

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EXPIRATION DATE OF NATIONAL H.O.G. MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

ENTER IN CHAPTER DATABASE?            YES            NO

I have read the Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this dealer sponsored chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

**- THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING -**

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**) shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G. or H.O.G. chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G. members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G. activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities.

I release and hold the **"RELEASED PARTIES"** harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE **"RELEASED PARTIES"** FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

**WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES**

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**.

MEMBER SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL DUES PAID \$ \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

(Dues not to exceed maximum amount prescribed in, "Annual Charter for H.O.G. Chapters", as contained in the H.O.G. Chapter Handbook.)

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