



Hog Wash

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South Central Wisconsin
Janesville Chapter
Harley Owners Group 5547

Sponsored by Kutter Harley

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Afton Pub & Park
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Meeting 10:00 a.m.

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NOTICE: Afton Pub and Park will be serving breakfast just before the July meeting. Please sign up in the white book at Kutter's before July 10th to assure that enough food will be available. Cost for the breakfast will be held to a reasonable amount.

To each and everyone of our HOG friends,

Perhaps you sent a plant...Thank You!!!!

Perhaps you sent a card...Thank You!!!

Perhaps you helped with a project at our home...Thank You!!!!

Perhaps you thought about us...Thank You!!!!

Perhaps you sent well wishes...Thank You!!!!

Perhaps you prayed for us.....**THANK YOU!!!!**

For whatever you may have done for us during this very trying time in our lives... ***We are forever grateful for our wonderful circle of friends...WE LOVE YOU <3 <3 <3***

REMEMBER Jeffro's Quote: *It's not the destination...It's the DETERMINATION Our Love & Hugs, Jeff & Tina Russell and Family*

Directors Corner----*Gene Schuetten*

Another wonderful MDA event and our thanks go out to Dave Alwin, MDA committee, volunteers and the riders who came and participated in this great fund raising event. The weather while a bit muggy Rudi Kutter did it again in making the sun shine. Our thanks to Kutter's for the new pavilion it offered some relief from the sun.

The one thing I am seeing from year to year is with more press on the event prior to the run day, the more people that are coming out to watch---it is great and the smiles you see are worth the effort to make it happen.

Now that we are past the MDA and summer is really here we move on to our monthly dinner rides and our other chapter fund raising events. Now is when we need you help in making these events successful---while they are smaller the importance of the fund raising event is just as great.

July we are back to our monthly chapter meetings and this month we will be at Afton Pub & Park for breakfast, meeting and poker run for the Red Cross. Come out and have some fun. Also, don't forget the pizza ride on July 15th.

Get out on those bikes and lets ride.

Assistant Director----*Perry Wolf*

Hello chapter members,

I want to give a big thank you to the members that made it to the State Hog Rally this year. Our chapter helped out for Texas Hold Em on Friday June 19th. It was fun because we were able to learn and play on our own fun table. They had a couple extra professional card dealers who showed us the finer points of the game. Those that volunteered are Carol and Terry Thompson, Ken Welge, Mike Blood and myself.

Another Fine job goes out to Dave Alwin and the MDA Committee for a great Tub Run. On a sad note, there was an accident we came up on in the front leg by the Beloit airport.

Thank you to the members that stopped and helped. As of Monday I have not heard how anybody is. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them for a quick recovery.

On a final note, Kim and myself would like to thank the Chapter for the beautiful plant sent to Kim while she was in the hospital for her surgery. It made the miserable 7 days there a little easier for her.

Activities Officers---*Mike Blood*

While, the Tub Run is over we had a very good turn out. There was 180 riders for the poker run, I didn't get a phone call saying I won the bike, but I did win a door prize !

Independence Day is around the corner, that's a three day weekend to put some miles on your bike and maybe visit a cheese factory or two.

Capital City H-D has large event the 11th of July at 12 noon, check it out, It's called Thunder Run.

Jim Casey is leading a dinner ride to Cambridge WI. That ride leaves at 6p.m .on 7/15

There is an after meeting ride 7/19 called Ride for the Red. It's a Red Cross fund raiser ride.

This will be late getting to you, But, I hope you turned in your miles for Million Mile Monday June 29th.

Secretary----*Deb Duncan*

No minutes this month, as there is no chapter meeting in June due to the MDA Tub Run. A HUGE thanks to all of the Road Guards from Jes, Bob and Deb! A few reminders:

Please sign the attendance roster when you attend a meeting to earn chapter attendance point

Please verify your point earning are correct each month

Please make sure your e-mail and physical address are current.

Don't forget, the Sports Page Pizza Ride is July 15 – great pizza, great ride lead by Jim and Donna Casey. See you then!

Dealer Representative --- *Lucy Anderson*

Happy warm weather everyone!

Thank you so much for your awesome support for the MDA Tub Run...what a perfect day!!!

Speaking of perfect days, we have had many for our WEEK DAY Rides and it's just a great way to break your week up. We always leave Kutter at 6pm and ride no further then 30-45 minutes away and maybe grab something to eat. We'd love to have you! I have been helping non-profit organizations with benefit rides and they are all posted on our site. With the HOG and Kutter rides, there are so many...some would say too many. No one expects you to ride on all of them...just choose the ones that are important to you or your family and of course we need to support the HOG Chapter rides as much as possible.

If you are an MVP member, please log into your MVP account...this is the time to verify your points. The system will automatically roll you over July 31st and we lose ability to help you change/add anything. If you volunteered during my many plea's first of all, THANK YOU!

Then, please verify that your points for volunteering are on your account. If you are GOLD, we look forward to you and a guest joining us for our Ride/Brunch to The Mystique Dining, Casino & Dog Track on July 12th. You MUST RSVP as I need to send the guest list to the casino 1 week prior to the ride. Invite postcards have mailed out, so call soon! Are you *Kruising America with Kutter*???. If you are traveling throughout the US, don't forget to take your picture in front of a sign with the state name...you get points for riding! Drop them off at the back table by parts or email me and I will print them off for you!

Kutter has a HUGE MASSIVE Pre-owned Bike Sale going on right now...check them out!!! If you are heading to Sturgis this year...plan ahead and let's get your tires checked and your maintenance taken care of. Call Jeff, Johnny or Randy in service today. Enjoy the riding season and be safe...we care about you!

Editor---*Mary Jackson*

Winners of bike games are;

Mens Slow Race

1st Place Nate Barlass, Janesville 2nd Place Bryan Mikkelson, Evansville

Womens Slow Race

1st Place Sue Martin, Janesville 2nd Place Valerie Brandt, Elkhorn

Pile One On 1st Place Matt and Erica Schaetten, Janesville

2nd Place Jeromy ?, Rockford & Dennis Barth, Janesville

Wienie Bite 1st Place Rich & Jackie Whitney, Peoria, IL

2nd Place Kurt & Jeni Gilbertson, Edgerton

Guy Bite 1st Place OJ, Janesville & Bob McMannus, Janesville

2nd Place James Warrenburg, Delavan & Lester Warrenburg, Delavan

Road Captain---*Jes Schild*

Thank you to all the people that volunteered to be Road Guards this year. You make our job so much easier. We did have one not so minor accident. I don't have all the details, so I won't say any thing about it now. I wish I could put Road Guards the entire length of the route, but I don't think even that would stop stupid mistakes. You guys ROCK!! The job you did out there was awesome! Thank you so very much for volunteering. I hope you had some fun and want to sign up next year. Again, thank you for your help. If you have any suggestions or comments, please get them to me.

I found the "bump" at Hwy 140 and Town Line Road, as I'm sure most of you did, as I heard comments about it. Sorry about that, when we have to stop at 140 and go over it, it's not that bad, BUT, at 40 mph, it's a WOW!! On the subject of the route, I received a call about 9 AM Saturday morning stating that the rain Friday night had wash some shoulders away and there was mud on the road. Dave Alwin talked to Lucy and she in turn sent the weekenders out to clean up the mess. They did a great job of getting the route spiffed up before the ride started.

I haven't seen any of the photos Donna took, yet. She said she filled 2 cards Thursday night, 2 cards Friday morning, 2 cards Friday night, and so on. I don't know what that means, but I think it means there are a lot of pictures to look at. Donna is the photographer for Rock River Threshere. She is in New York City this week visiting her daughter. She'll be back by the time this is printed. I can't wait to see all your smiling faces.

July is going to be a very busy month. The Odd Fellows have taken over the 4th of July celebration and can use our support. They help out on Friday behind the bar, and they are a Corporate Sponsor, as are the Rebekahs. Capital City H-D Thunder Run, Sauk Prairie H-D Freedom Ride are the next two weekends after that. If you don't like those, Lucy has a poker run for a Cancer Survivor on July 11th and the MVP Gold ride the next day. Deano's Get-R-Done Run is July 18th, that's always a fun ride and it's for a local charity. The day after is our Chapter meeting at Afton Pub and Park. Breakfast is at 8:30 AM. and the meeting is at 10:00AM. The Red Cross is also having the Ride-4-Red that day from Afton Pub and Park. If you're looking for something else, there's also a dinner ride to Cambridge on July 15th lead by Jim and Donna Casey. As always, Ride safe, Heads up - Rubber down.

Assistant Road Captain---Rick Harle

I think we had a great turnout for the MDA Tub Run. I had a good time and for the most part the weather cooperated. I have been to other events with other chapters, and I think for the amount of bikes and the size of our event, we do a pretty good job, despite some minor problems. Some chapters are not nearly as well organized. I think everyone who volunteered and participated deserves a pat on the back and a job well done. Look forward to seeing everyone at the next chapter meeting.

Photographer---Laura Farnsworth

I will be bringing the HOG chapter photos with me to the next meeting. I will have 10 extras, so if you haven't purchased one, and you want one, come and get it! First come first serve. It's an awesome photo, if I must say so myself!

Those of you who took photos of the tub run for me, please provide the disc and I will try to bring my laptop along and transfer them at that time.

Membership Officer----Phyllis Harle

We had one new member join this last month Ty Dutcher of Janesville. Please remember that you must have an active National Membership to remain a member of South Central Hog Chapter.

Hospice Ride

We will be having a poker run for Hospice after the Aug 16 meeting. I'm still looking for volunteers, I will need help with the poker stops and I'm looking for donations for the raffles. Instead of one or two people going around asking for donations I would like to have the members make up some kind of basket to be donated. Example of this is Mary is making one that has golf stuff in it, I made one of different wines from Northern Illinois wineries. If you don't want to do a basket but have other things that's fine. Ask your favorite place you have dinner at for a certificate or a T-shirt if they have them. Any questions please call me 815-494-7757 or email me rharle@verizon.net.

Merchandise Coordinator ----*Donna Casey*

No news this month.

Ladies of Harley----*Connie Fisher*

Hi Everyone, We are in need of raffle items for the Breast Cancer Ride in September. Please contact me if you have something to donate.

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

At the MDA Tub Run ride this year, there was an accident involving 3 motorcycles, it brings to mind repeating, RIDE RIGHT! GET TRAINED! Almost all motorcycle groups recommend that you begin with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's motorcycle rider courses. 1. For beginning riders: the Basic Motorcycle Rider Course 2. For advanced riding skills: the Experienced Rider Course. It's Quicker and Safer when you learn from the Pros! In addition, Kutter Harley Davidson offers the Basic Rider Course and the Advanced Rider Course thru their Riders Edge Program. I have had experience with both of these courses and have been riding for a number of years. Each time I have completed the Advanced Rider Course I have learned something that I forgot, also I improved my riding skills which makes for a safer rider. I encourage everyone of you, to think about how you learned to ride your motorcycle, and do you need a refresher course, or do you need to concentrate more on safe riding, or do you have a son, daughter or wife who could benefit from more rider training, and ride with more confidence. Just think about it and do what is right. Accident prevention while enjoying our wonderful sport is what it is all about. Our local Blackhawk Technical College offers rider training, the registration number is 608-757-7690. If you or someone you know needs rider training, share this information, it could save lives! Need more information about Kutter's Rider Edge Program, ask any of the Kutter employees, they will direct you to the right person for information. RIDE SAFE, CONCENTRATE, AND HAVE FUN!

Webmaster----*Michael Cullen*

No news this month.

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

Hey everyone,
What a weekend!! This year's Tub Run was another huge success!! We got a little wet on Friday, but Saturday came and it was sunny and hot hot hot!!!! Everyone that was involved in the Tub Run should be very proud. The Harley Davidson representative this year was Brian Sucharski who is the Director, Parts & Accessories Category Management. Here is what he sent Cathy Stagmer, our MDA representative in an email Monday morning, "As I mentioned, this was one of the best event rides I've ever participated in, very well planned, organized and executed. I was proud to be in attendance and look forward to participating again next year." Good job people!!

This was the first year using the new pavilion at Kutter Harley Davidson for the Tub Run. The set up seemed to work well and there seemed to be plenty of room.

We had a quite few groups from the outside that volunteered to help out this year. Thanks to all that carried a corporate sponsor flag for us this year. The flags look so cool leading the ride every year. A big thanks to the team that installed all the flag poles and put the 102 flags on. It's a hot and dirty job and I really appreciate you doing this year after year.

What'd you think of the banner for Alpha Company from Janesville? If you didn't get a chance to write a note to the troops, stop out to Kutter. The post cards will be there for a while before we send the banner and cards, along with a care package to them. I heard so many comments about the ride this year. They really enjoyed the scenery and the route. The HAMM radio club did another fantastic job and Janet did another great job at telling the Chief of Police from Clinton where to go. When we got to Beloit, they were ready and waiting for us. It took about 25 minutes to get everyone parked, but once that was done, they had cold drinks, food and music. It was a little wet in spots, so you had to watch where you were walking. Beloit did another great job hosting our large group.

We had great music this year at the park. Dynamite Society played Friday night, and Category X rocked the house Saturday. The steak dinner was superb as always. That crew does such a great job with that. Lee Olstead from Edgerton won the 883 Sportster. Lee works in the face department at Hufcor with me. He is a huge supporter of the Tub Run and not only buys tickets for every one of the raffles the Chapter holds; he also sells tickets for us. Congratulation Lee!!!! My name was drawn this year to receive the \$500 gift certificate from Kutter for raising pledges for the Tub run. My ticket was drawn from among the 21 tickets in the can.

Time for the numbers all!!!! There were a total of 1,730 registered people, who rumbled down the back roads of Rock County on 1,300 motorcycles. The projected net from the weekend is \$115,066.00. Add that to the \$32,627.00 from the February bike raffle, they are projecting us to net \$147,693.00 for this year!! That's fantastic!!! With what's going on with our local economy, with all the plants closing, and having over 200 people deployed to Iraq, that's a good chunk of change we've raised!!! This is proof that the community is behind this event and believes in the cause, just as we do.

What can I say to all of you that I haven't already said before? You guys are amazing. You work so hard all year supporting the MDA, and continue each year to make putting on such a huge event look so effortless. Everything ran smooth and I can't thank you enough for all that this Chapter does for the MDA. Once again, the South Central Wisconsin Janesville Harley Owners Group Chapter 5547 stepped up to the plate and knocked one right out of the park!!

Hi there everyone-

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated in the 15th Annual MDA Tub Run. Whether you were a rider, volunteer, sponsor, donated to someone who was raising pledges or simply lined the streets to wave as the parade of bikes went by, we appreciate your help and support.

I want to recognize the amazing Tub Run planning committee. If you participate in the event and haven't taken a chance to thank this group throughout the year for putting on such an amazing experience, please do. The committee meets year-round to cover all the bases which come together to offer the best possible event for everyone involved.

The Tub Run is ranked as the second highest single dealer Harley-Davidson fund-raising events throughout the country. With that people take note and each year executives from Harley-Davidson come to ride the ride and see what the Tub Run is all about. Time after time I hear that this is one of these most organized, well-run events the executives have ever been to. That is all thanks to the amazing network of people who work on this event. From the support we receive from Kutter Harley-Davidson, to the committee, to the HOG chapter volunteers, to the community volunteers, to local towns and police departments to the riders and supporters. You all make a difference!

Speaking of that difference, you'll hear people talk about how it is "all about the kids" and for us, that means all of Jerry's Kids, children and adults diagnosed with a neuromuscular disease. For the clients we serve hearing that distinctive rumble of a Harley-Davidson means so much more than a motorcycle is nearby, but it is also a symbol and sound of help and hope. Your generosity in supporting this event means MDA can continue to provide valuable day to day services like the MDA funded clinic at the UW Hospital in Madison, support groups, financial assistance with the purchase and repair of wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices and summer camp.

It is also only with your help that MDA can continue to fund research in an effort to find the causes, treatments and cures of 43 different neuromuscular diseases, including two currently funded at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Be sure to mark your calendars for next year, Tub Run 2010 is June 18-19. Also, remember the event's motto, "Bring A Friend To Help A Friend" and invite someone new to join you on the ride. Together you really are helping friends in your community. Have a great riding season, always enjoy the journey, and thanks so much for your dedication and support of this event and the people we serve.

With much appreciation,
Cathy Stagmer
MDA Regional Field Representative

July				
July 4	Independence Day			
July 15	Pizza Run Sports Page, Cambridge	6:00 p.m.	Jim Casey	Closed
July 19	Chapter Breakfast Afton Pub	8:30 a.m.		Closed
July 19	Chapter Meeting	10:00 a.m.		Closed
July 19	Ride for the Red Cross	After meeting		Open

August				
Aug 1	Can't Go to Sturgis Ride	9:00 am	Perry Wolf	Closed
Aug 16	Chapter Meeting, Bobbleheads	9:00 am		Closed
Aug 16	Hospice Ride / Poker Run Sign Up	10-Noon	Phyllis Harle	Open
Aug 16	Hospice Poker Run	10am - 4pm	Phyllis Harle	Open

September				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
Sept 7	Labor Day			
Sept 12	Chapter Meeting, Kutter's	9:00am		Closed
Sept 12	Breast Cancer Ride Sign Up	10:00- Noon	Connie Fisher	Open
Sept 12	Breast Cancer Ride	Noon-4pm	Connie Fisher	Open
Sept 26	Kutter's Veterans Celebration & Ride		Lucy	Open

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.



POKER RUN

Sunday, August 16th

Registration is from 10am-12pm

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