



Hog Wash

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South Central Wisconsin
Janesville Chapter
Harley Owners Group 5547

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Countryside, Milton, WI
9:00a.m. Officers Meeting, 10:00 Chapter Meeting
Breakfast Buffet \$7.00

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DIRECTORS CORNER----*GENE SCHAEITEN*

Just when we think the weather is going our way Mother Nature lets everyone know she is in control. I know we have members whose houses and businesses were affected by the flooding and I hope in the end everything works out for everyone and that FEMA and other assistance was able to speed up the recovery. Our thoughts are with all those that were affected.

I want to thank all the chapter members who participated or road in the 14th annual Tub Run. I know Dave Alwin will give all the details in his section but even with the challenges of the weather and condition of the park, I still believe the event was a smashing success and MDA will benefit from your efforts---THANKS.

Perry Wolf will be leading the July Chapter meeting at Country Side in Newville as I left June 21st on the bike for Alaska and will return in late July. Perry will also be leading the ride from Kutter's on Saturday July 19th to the Capital Harley Dealer in Madison for their Thunder Run. The ride will leave Kutter's at 10AM and there will be special parking at Capital for our chapter and we will also be towards the front of the ride. There is a signup sheet in the white book--- Please make an effort to attend this ride. There also is a Pizza Ride to Cambridge on the 9th and you know it will be a good time as Jim Casey is leading the ride. Also, the fish Fry on the 25th to Mick & Tony's formerly JD's Prime Spot in Beloit.

There will be no meeting in August due to Sturgis but there are other rides and Harley's 105th Anniversary will begin on August 28th. Kutter's will be looking for volunteers during the 105th as they will be hosting events for the rides stopping in Janesville. If you can help it will be appreciated by Kutters.

Have a great summer and see you when I get back from the North Country.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR----*Perry Wolf*

Hello chapter members,

Well we still have another year for the State HOG Rally on the Tub Run weekend as these are scheduled in two year slots. Later this year myself and Gene will try to get this changed for the future. On the same note, for those that made the rally, I hope you all had a great time.

As Gene stated in his article I will be leading the ride to the Thunder Run and we will be leaving at 10:00am sharp. We need as many people to ride up with us as a group. For our new members , we have a little contest with Capital HD we try to have more members from our chapter go to their charity ride than their chapter members go to our Tub Run.

We really don't want the Half Assed toilet seat award another year do we?

I will also be leading a ride to Poopy's in Savanna IL. for the "I can't go to Sturgis ride" on Saturday August 2, leaving at 10:00am. Make sure to bring your appetite and see if you can finish the 1 pound Poopy burger. (yes 1 LB.)

ACTIVITIES OFFICERS---*Mike Blood / Linda Kuhnle*

First off, Linda would like to thank the chapter for the pretty mum plant that was sent following her surgery and for all the good thoughts that were sent her way.

The chicken run ride was just great, some dry weather and some good people, 34 enjoyed the day. Our road captions choose a very scenic route. { I'm keeping that map for later} .

"O" Boy!! Linda and I missed the MVP event "6/21". I bet Kutters had full spread of food and beverages. I went to the Iowa state HOG rally to get a point for the ABC tour. Next weekend MN. has their rally in Duluth, that's two points, one for the rally and one for the state.

Jim Casey is leading a dinner ride to Cambridge's Sportpage on 7/9..

"Captial City H-D 's Thunder Run"7/12, Gene will lead us and be taking the "TROPHY" back to Captial City and leaving it I hope. It will be all up you. We need to out number the amount that came to our "Tub Run".

SECRETARY----*Deb Duncan*

Hi everyone! Due to no meeting in June, there are no meeting notes. Bob and I would like to thank all of the Tub Run road guards for being at your assigned location, on time and once again surpassing the expectations expected of you! You are all truly appreciated and no words can express our thanks!

Hope to see you all at the meeting in July! Ride safe and as often as you can!

Dealer Representative --- *Lucy Andersen*

WOW...what a month! Now I understand the importance of a *Tub Run*! I am still in shock and awe as I think back to the planning, facilitating and the actual experience of watching and hearing the bikes leave. The South Central HOG Chapter should be very proud of their accomplishment and of how many lives they have affected by participating in this event. For those of you who rode, volunteered, participated on the committee or showed your support with monetary donations...THANK YOU! I truly believe that "what goes around comes around." It was a pleasure and honor being able to be a part of the Tub Run Committee lead by a dedicated leader, Dave Alwin. It has been a heart warming experience getting to know the committee members and volunteers who are some of the kindest people I have ever met. I was humbled by their dedication to do *whatever* needed to be done to overcome some adversities.

The Water Front Fashion Show at FINS was a great success and a lot of fun! Thank you to the wonderful models, Sue and Rachel of FINS and a special thank you to our own Kerry in MotorClothes for your expertise and much needed assistance! Watch for this popular event next year!

We appreciate all of you for your loyalty to Kutter and hope you were able to enjoy the MVP Party as a token of our appreciation. Look for the next one in November. The MVP GOLD Ride is scheduled for July 13th. Check out the details on our website and click on the events page. Do YOU have an idea for an event or ride??? EMAIL ME! I would love to hear more from you! YES, I ran out of gas!!! UGH! Just to show I am a good sport, I did post a picture of me filling my gas tank that Shane rode to Clinton for. (Thank you Shane!) Thank you to all of you for the good ribbing! Thank you to Chuck for a beautiful ride to *The Rock* in Beloit for our 1st Singles Ride. Look for one every month!

Editor---*Mary Jackson*
MDA Bike Games

Women's Slow Ride

1st Place - Sue Martin, So. Central
2nd Place - Sheila Santiabo, Rockford

Men's Slow Ride

1st Place - Mark Marco, Beloit
2nd Place - Jeremy Nelson, Byron

Weenie Bite

1st Place - Steve Peck, Beloit
 Leslie Cherry, Milton
2nd Place - Matt Schatten, So. Central
 Sondra

Guy Bite

1st Place - Matt Shatten, So. Central
 Dennis Barth, So. Central
2nd Place - Lester Warrenburg, Delavan
 James Warrenburg, Delavan

Road Captain---*Jes Schild*

I want to thank all the volunteers that helped make the 14th annual MDA Tub Run a success. I had many compliments on the great job the Road Guards did. You all should give yourself a pat on the back for a job very well done. The ride was accident free and there were only two break downs, a very good year. Considering all the rain, it was a good weekend.

I have openings for assistant road captains, check the HOG Book at Kutter for dates or contact me. The sign up sheet is in the road captain section.

I'm helping Lucy set up the Kutter 105th anniversary party the end of August. We will be setting up the MDA Beer Bar. So, I need some help on Wednesday night setting up the bar and ticket booth. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, we need bartenders and ticket sellers. We also need a licensed bartender or tenders for all three days. There is a sign up sheet in the HOG Book at Kutter for volunteers, or see me, call me, or e-mail me.

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

Assistant Road Captain---*Rick Harle*

Phyllis and I had a nice long ride in May down to Mobile Alabama, about 2000 miles. We split the trip up into several days and only ran into severe weather on the way back where we waited out a storm in a car wash for 3 hours. We took mostly back roads and got to see a lot. Look forward to seeing everyone at the July HOG meeting.

Photographer---*Laura Farnsworth*

No news this month.

Membership Officer----*Phyllis Harle*

A reminder to everyone, in order to be a member of our chapter you must keep your national HOG membership active. We have one new member this month David Beyer.

Merchandise Coordinator ----*Donna McCormick*

I have some new tee-shirts and zipper pulls, pins and patches. The mens's polos are still available. I do have some tank tops for men coming in, hopefully they will be here for the next meeting.

I ordered some samples of ladies tank tops, their sizing is so awful, the large looked like it would fit the Barbie Doll. Believe me the material wouldn't stretch either.

I have put a display at Kutters in the glass counter by Sonny. If you get a chance take a look.

Be Safe, and Ride with the Wind.

Ladies of Harley----*Connie Fisher*

No news this month.

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

No news this month.

Webmaster----*Michael Cullen*

Greetings all,

What a great Tub Run weekend! Thankfully the weather mostly held. I was able to ride and chat with a few of you Friday night for the Poker Run but I had to work Saturday. Ah well someone has to work, right? To be honest, Friday night's Poker Run is my favorite event of Tub Run weekend anyway. I get to ride with a small group of friends around a great route and run into and chat with so many others. Food, and especially music, Friday night at Thresherman's was great. Awesome job by all. Photos and fundraising totals to be posted on the website when I get them.

In other news but along the same lines; I always hear how great our chapter events are and how nice our bikers are by people not even associated with the chapter or HD either. Many people in Beloit last year commented about how they had one idea what the 2000+ bikers would be like and how they were pleasantly surprised by us, our generosity and demeanor. It was like they actually saw us as human beings, regular joes, that happen to ride a bike.

This is great to hear and witness as many biker freedoms are being taken away and bikers are being banished. In Myrtle Beach, SC. The city council recently raised taxes to make sure that the huge Spring bike events would no longer take place. The web is alive with articles from SC with headlines stating "Myrtle Beach kicks out bikers" and "Bikers no longer welcome in Myrtle Beach". The city council is trading the millions of dollars that the bikers bring to MB each spring for what they say are safer streets, quieter streets and no problems. Daytona struggled with this a couple of years back but overcame these issues and still welcomes bikers for Spring Bike week and Biketoberfest. They even have signs posted as you enter Daytona Beach in black and orange that state "You're Back, We're Glad". The city of Daytona Beach, it's businesses and citizens lobbied hard to keep allowing bikers.

However, these situations are becoming a major issue where a small group of bikers are ruining it for many. Keep this in mind as we do our Tub Runs, our poker runs or even ride on weekends with small groups. People do not look at you as Matt, Joe, Samantha or Jane but as a "biker" and judge us all on the actions of a few.

You guys are great and it makes me proud to be a part of this chapter. Keep up the great work and image that we present.

Wow, that was serious stuff. I need to go ride somewhere and relax.

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

Hey folks,

What a weekend!!! One word to describe how the whole weekend went, "SMOOTH!" I couldn't be more proud of you guys! With the weather the way was, we had to make decisions on the fly and change things at the drop of a hat, and you guys pulled it off without so much as a ripple in the water. I was very impressed!!

For those of you that stuck out the weather at the park after the ride returned, heard me announce that they are projecting us to net about \$140,000.00 for the year that will be donated to MDA. With the economy the way it is and with Mother Nature still showing us who's boss, I was thrilled to announce that figure. It could have very easily been pouring down rain on Saturday morning and we would have ended up with only 200 people going on the ride, so I was more than pleased with that number. Well, I got a call from Cathy with MDA Monday afternoon, telling me that they made an accounting error with one of the deposits over the weekend. Our new projected net for the year is...are you ready for this.....\$173,000.000!!! I'm guessing you are sitting there with one of two expressions on your face. Your bottom jaw dropped, or you have a huge smile on your face. Awesome guys! Awesome!

Because of the weather, we had to change some things up at the park, which some of them actually worked out so well, we're doing the same thing next year. We never really got wet when it counted. Set up was dry, the poker run was dry, the ride was dry, and take down was dry. Life is good! We had 456 people go on the poker run Friday night. There were 1,251 registered bikes on the ride with 1,820 people. There were 113 corporate sponsor flags snapping in the wind as everyone rumbled down the road. I gotta tell ya people, that is such an awesome sight seeing all these bikes rolling down the road with the flags in the wind leading the way. So cool!! How about Clinton this year? They did another fantastic job for us. Good job Tim and the gang!! We had some kick ass bands this year on both nights. The entertainment costs were slightly higher this year, but I think well worth it. Thanks to Kutter Harley Davidson for sponsoring the Saturday night band again. Tim Hoffman from Footville won the 883 Sportster, and Jenny and I won the \$500 gift certificate from Kutter HD.

Special thanks to Nick and Janet Schommer and the HAMM radio group. They were a huge add this year. Janet did a super job leading the ride in the Fulton Township squad car. She joked that it was the first time she was able to tell a cop where to go without getting into trouble. The job is yours next year if you want it Janet.

You people are awesome and you put on an awesome event! There were times on Saturday at Kutters, I would stand there and look at everything that was going on around me. Everyone was busy doing what they had to do and everyone looked liked they were having fun. It sent shivers through me watching all of you work so seamlessly together. You people never fail to amaze me. Just when I think you guys pulled off the most amazing event, you do the unthinkable and do it all over again, and better!! I'm sure you all get tired of hearing me talk about the Tub Run and MDA, but I will never tire of talking about what an amazing event you guys put on and what a truly dedicated and caring bunch we have in our HOG Chapter. I would put this event, this planning committee, this HOG Chapter, and all the non-member volunteers up against any event like this in the country, and we would kick ass!!!!

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart!!

July				
Date	Event/Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
July 9	Pizza Run, Sports Page Cambridge, Wi	6:00 PM Kutters	Jim Casey	Closed
July 11	Thunder Run Charity Ride Capital Harley, Madison			
July 12	Chapter Ride to Thunder Run Capital H-D, Madison	10:00AM Kutter's	Perry Wolf	Closed
July 13	MVP Gold Ride & Brunch		Lucy Anderson	Closed
July 20	Chapter Meeting Countryside, Milton	10:00		Closed
July 25	Fish Fry Ride	6:00 Kutter's	Mike Blood Linda Kuhnle	Closed

August				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
August 2	Can't Go To Sturgis Ride, Kutter's		Perry Wolf	Closed
August 23	LOH Day Ride, Kutters		Connie Fisher	Closed
August 28-31	105 th Anniversary Celebrations, Kutter's		Lucy Anderson	Open

September				
Date	Event / Location	Time	Contact	Open or Closed
Sept 1	Labor Day			
Sept 20	Chapter Meeting	10:00		
Sept 20	Humane Society Charity Ride		Sheila Lund	

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.