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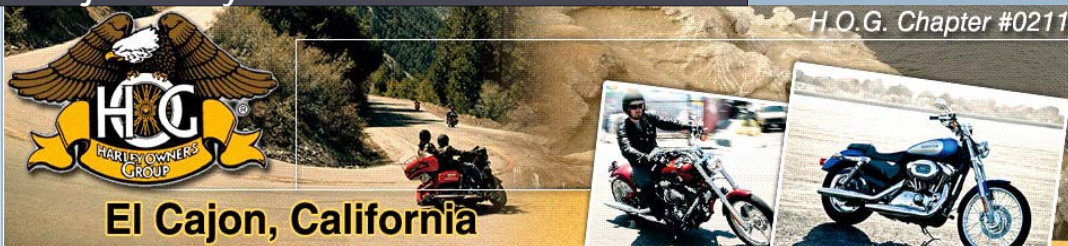
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**DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

Seems like we have been sending out a lot more get well cards than usual lately. The last couple of months have been rough on some of our HOG family, we have had some illness, some medical conditions, and a couple of accidents. At this point everyone is healing nicely.

There is not much we can do about illness and medical conditions, that's for doctors to figure out, but I have to think there is something we can do to avoid accidents. We can all brush up on our riding skills in a skills class, or attend a Rider's Zone.

Sometimes, just hearing the same things over and over help to bring them into play when they are really needed. I've had several people tell me that this was the case for them. So lets all keep our heads up out there and maybe even break out that old basic riders course handbook and review it. Or better yet, sign up for an advanced riders course, we can never do too much to be safe out there! By the way, the basic riding course by Pacific Safety Council is being held at the Dealership at regularly scheduled intervals.

Last month I told you little bit about the riding vacation that Jody and I took in June and promised you more so here it is. We were a bit apprehensive about going at all considering our path of choice was going to put us smack dab in the middle of tornado country and in the area were two weeks prior had devastating weather. So after some thought we decided to head east with a destination of New Orleans in mind and if the weather turned to crap we would just turn around head in the opposite direction and find a new destination. Our first day out, about 480 miles brought us to Sierra Vista, Arizona to visit with our friends Dan and Cheryl. It was just a quick visit and we were on our way again by late morning the next day. The second day out brought us to one of the arm pits of the world, Van Horn TX. Their only claim to fame is a little taco shop that supposedly John Madden stops at once a year. He obviously has no idea what good Mexican food is but the beer was good and cold. Our third day out brought us to San Antonio and The Alamo. I was very surprised to find this Mission dating back to the 1800's right in the middle of a huge metropolis. Anyway, it was very interesting and had a lot of history about how James Bowie and Davey Crockett helped defend the Mission against an attack by the Mexican army, ultimately losing the battle in the end. It's a wonder they all don't speak Spanish there in Texas. We finally made it out of Texas on the fourth day and to the city of Lake Charles, Louisiana. They had the most pitiful little Harley Davidson dealership I have ever seen, worse than what we had before El Cajon Harley remodeled. Anyway I felt sorry for them so I bought a shirt and added to my shot glass collection. Day five brought us to our next destination, New Orleans, I had never been before so let me tell you that Bourbon Street is definitely one of the party capitals of the world. They got a little bit of everything there including VOODOO dolls so naturally we picked up a couple, pins and all. You definitely don't want to get on my bad side now.

I'm going to leave you there for now, to be continued next month.

Ride Safe,  
Tom V.

H.O.G. Chapter Meeting August 5th at Elk's Lodge @ 6:30PM  
1400 E. Washington Avenue El Cajon, CA 92019

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, Jody V**

The Sweetwater Reservoir Poker Run turned out to be a great ride. Each stop was situated with a nice view of one of the various reservoirs around south San Diego County. As usual, I started out with an ace, king and queen, only to have my hand turn to nothing. Happens every time.

In September we'll be supporting Bigg's Indian Summer Run on September 17th. They'll be at the August Chapter meeting to tell you all about it.

We were looking into the possibility of doing a premier event but it looks like it may be a little late in the year to plan and if we find that to be the case, we'll move it into next year, after we've had a chance to meet with the Directors of the other SD County H.O.G. Chapters. Stay tuned.

The California State H.O.G. Rally is coming up at the end of September (starts the 29th) and ends October 1. It's in Monterey this year. There's lots to see and do in that area so it should be a great event: ride to Hollister, Big Sur Coastline and cross Bixby Bridge. If you are going, be sure to get your reservations in before August 11. If you do, you will be entered into drawings for rooms at the host hotel. They will be giving out 2 rooms for 3 nights.

See you soon!

Jody V.  
Asst. Director

**GET WELL CARDS TO H.O.G. MEMBERS**

If you know any H.O.G. member who is ill or in the hospital, please call Betty Blaisdale at 619.478.9028 and give her the recipient's name and address.

Betty has graciously offered to send get well cards on behalf of El Cajon H.O.G.

**HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN, Ken t**

**WOW**, the summer is speeding past us. Make sure you get out there and ride that motorcycle. Here are the Road Captain events for August: Jerry will be leading us on the 6th, leaving the dealership at 10:00AM. More details at the chapter meeting. The AARP ride will be leaving the dealership at 10:00 on August 11th. Come on out for the RC meeting at 6:30PM on August 16th; meeting will be held at "The Clubhouse" which is the Countrywide building located just a few doors down from the dealership at 557 El Cajon Blvd.

Remember to keep on SAFELY riding those Harleys.

Ken t., Head Road Captain

**SECRETARY, Terri L for Norma H**

6:31pm – Meeting called to order by Tom V. Director

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Tom V. Reviewed where the bathroom are, the exits are, reminded all to use the online buckets and the bucket at the meeting for suggestions, pick up name rockers from Membership. Reminder to all that we are guests of the Elks and need to sign in and clean up. Thanked volunteers: Ed, John, Mike & Susie and spoke about some HOG members who have been in accidents or ill. A get well card was brought in by Johnny G's family and all were asked to sign it after the meeting. Other HOG members mentioned were Kathy, Alisa, Sue, Joyce, and Dave T (at Palomar Hospital).

Lance C. Membership report: 383 members. Encouraged membership sign-ups and mentioned new mentoring program for all who are interested.

Ken t. Head Road Captain: Talked about the upcoming events including next RC meeting, and importance of staying hydrated during summer riding.

Mike L. Safety: Upcoming Riders Zone at Dealership; no summer skills classes due to heat.

Joyce t. LOH: Reviewing upcoming events including Jody's dinner ride on July 9<sup>th</sup> and the BYOB (Bring Your Own Bling) party on August 20<sup>th</sup> in place of August's dinner ride.

Jayne R. Activities/Volunteer: Reminded all of July 30<sup>th</sup> HOG poker run; August 28<sup>th</sup> progressive brunch; and that she is still taking volunteer sign-ups.

Vicki M. Movies: Tom talked about the biker movie on August 26<sup>th</sup> at the Dealership in Vicki's absence.

Jody V. Assistant Director: Other HOG Chapter events include: Sweetwater's Reservoir Run; Biggs Indian Summer on 9/17; California State HOG Rally 9/29-10/1 in Monterey.

Tom V. mentioned ECETS ride 10/13-10/16 in Sequoia; flyer on the website.

Jody V. Assistant Director: New Members: Jan (Sportster); Robert (Road Glide).

Cliff/Tina from Dealership: Saturday rides leave Dealership at 11:00AM; test ride an HD Liberator bike and get a Captain America poster; sales tax in El Cajon dropped 1%.

Raul L., Website: Click on calendar dates for details

**GUESTS:**

Kristen, San Diego River Run/Wheels of Thunder: 7/23 ends at Barratt Junction

PJ, Ronald McDonald 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Poker Run 8/28 includes both motorcycles and cars

Bob, El Cajon Kiwanis Motorcycle Show and Poker Run on 9/17

Rick P., Regional Black Sheep Breakfast at Rosa's in Temecula 7/2

50/50 and Drawings:

Camera Bag: Joannie W.; Metal H-D Sign: Mike L.; H-D Membership Coin: Dan O.; H-D Charm: Bob R.; Biggs Indian Summer Registration: Betty B; Ronald McDonald PR Registration: Debbie J.; \$25 H-D Gift Card: Ken

\$25: Susie S; \$80 Ed;.

Adjourned: 7:19PM

**ACTIVITIES/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, Jayne R**

Where else can you have incredible fun, lots of laughs and quick friendships that are formed because there is already a common passion for “everything” Harley...along with the best rides in the country because of southern California weather and our scenic routes? It can only happen as a member of El Cajon HOG! So don't miss our Progressive Lunch Ride on August 28th. We will be traveling to Raul's house for delicious appetizers and soup, Tom and Jody's house for fresh, healthy salads and Bill and Trish's house for scrumptious tri-tip sandwiches, dessert and some added surprises! Not only will we have a blast eating and socializing but I have heard that the route for this event is going to be super special...so don't miss this ECHOG event! Remember...it is important that everyone RSVP with Jayne R. at [activities@elcajonhog.com](mailto:activities@elcajonhog.com) because there's a limit of 40 people ONLY for this event. The cost is \$15/person and the food sounds like it will be scrumptious! **RSVP NOW!**

Also, a BIG “THANK YOU” goes out to so many volunteers who have so freely volunteered their time to help out at our July 30th Mystery Poker Run. We had so many volunteers that I had to say, “Hold on...now we need riders because we have plenty of volunteers!!” It is a pleasure being the Volunteer Coordinator of ECHOG!

One last request...we are looking for two volunteers to sign in our ECHOG members at the Elks Club for each month's chapter meeting. If you have never volunteered before, this is a great opportunity to help out your ECHOG Chapter along with meeting so MANY of your fellow ECHOG members face-to-face. Please email Jayne R. at [activities@elcajonhog.com](mailto:activities@elcajonhog.com), if you would like to help out!

Jayne R., Activities/Volunteer Coordinator

**MEMBERSHIP, Lance C**

As the membership officer I was asked about a mid-year discount on chapter membership. We do not have a discount on membership. It is \$20 Jan-Dec. Please make sure your national HOG membership is up to date. If you are not sure please see me at the meeting and I will check on it for you.

Thanks,

Lance C., Membership



**Welcome New H.O.G. Members!!**

MEMBERSHIP, Lance C

If you are interested in joining the El Cajon HOG mentoring program, as a new rider or as a mentor, please print and fill out the following form and give it to Lance or any other officer. Someone will contact you right a way with more information.



El Cajon Harley-Davidson H.O.G. Mentor Program

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like to participate in the Mentor Rides.  
 Yes  No
- I am available for practice rides mid-week.  
 Yes  No
- I would like a mentor/experienced rider to ride with me on group rides.  
 Yes  No
- I would like a mentor/experienced rider to accompany me on a ride from/to my home.  
 Yes  No
- I would prefer my mentor to be:  Male  Female

Comments:

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- If you are interested in being a Mentor, please fill out the following information:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

A Road Captain or experienced rider will buddy up with you and help improve your riding skills by giving helpful guidance when needed. Mentors will be glad to ride with you from your home, throughout the ride, then back to your home. Doing this will help you develop a feel for the Mentor's riding style in a comfortable riding situation.

Please fill out this form and return it to Lance or any ECHOG Officer.

## LADIES OF HARLEY, Joyce t



Hello All! July gave us another great LOH Dinner ride by Jody V. The weather was wonderful and the Off Shore Bar & Grill was an epicurean delight. Fun time had by all. Thank you Jody!

**B.Y.O.B ~ Bring Your Own Bling LOH Party****Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>****5pm till 8pm.****1460 Bernita Way, El Cajon CA 92020**

This takes the place of the regular LOH meeting. The party will be held at Kim & Patrick's house. No ride there, just show up ready to have some fun.

*Please bring an appetizer dish to share with HOG friends!*

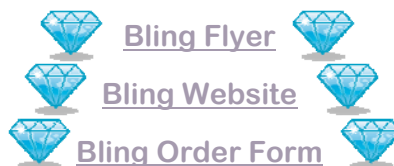
Men are welcome too! Come on out and enjoy the pool, Jacuzzi, or play some cards & games.

Don't forget your Helmet, jacket, hat, belt, vest ~ whatever you wish to Bling. NOTE: If you plan on putting crystals on your helmet and it is still under a warranty, it will be voided once you 'alter' (decorate) it.

**Order bling at [www.rhinestonedepot.com](http://www.rhinestonedepot.com) or contact Joyce prior to July 30<sup>th</sup>.**

Supply hints: Use 20ss to 30ss size. The Swarovski colors.

Wax sticks and some cement glue. Connie M has some left over crystals from her order you can buy from her. You can contact me or complete attached order form and **return to me by July 30<sup>th</sup>**. The following forms can all be found on the [ECHOOG website](#).



Hope to see you all there !!!

**Coming up: End of Summer Saddlebag Beach Picnic>>>> September 24th, Stay Tuned**

Joyce t, LOH Officer  
619.656.1997

## ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE AUGUST

- Friday, August 5**      H.O.G. Chapter Meeting at the Elk's Lodge @ 6:30PM  
 Burn Your Own Steak @ 5:30PM
- Saturday, August 6**      Jerry's RC Led Ride  
 Riders brief 9:45AM  
 Leaves Dealership @10:00AM
- Thursday, August 11**      "Get Off Your AARP And Ride"  
 Riders brief 9:45AM  
 Leaves Dealership @10:00AM
- Tuesday, August 16**      Road Captain Meeting @6:30PM, All Welcome  
 Meeting at The Clubhouse, 557 El Cajon Blvd.
- Saturday, August 20**      LOH Bling Party  
 5PM-8PM, See [Flyer](#) on Website for All the Details and Location
- Friday, August 26**      Movie Night @8:00PM at the Dealership  
 (It's A Biker Movie-Don't Miss It!!)
- Sunday, August 28**      Progressive Lunch-RSVP ASAP  
 Only 40 Tickets Available  
 \$15/person, See Jayne

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Remember September Ride-9/11 with More Details to Follow  
 ECETS, Fall Adventure, October 13-16, Sequoia (*NOTE NEW DATES!*)

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