



ALL AMERICAN HOG CHAPTER MEETING

at AAHD Dealership

Thursday, 21 October 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm, by the Director, Kevin McConnell

Pledge of Allegiance: Frank Nuhfer and Don French

Director: Kevin McConnell

- Welcome to our Chapter Meeting
- Asked who rode tonight.
- Thanked AAHD for hosting and Pizza.
- Thank Lyndon for having us at the Dealership. We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for him.
- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Thanked Gigi for bringing desserts
- Chapter information can be found on the website and calendar
- Always looking for volunteers to help for various things. Activities will need help with the holiday party. If you are available, let Christina know. Also, Gary Davis is on the Activity Committee, he will be helping Christina out. So, if you have any ideas, let Christina or Gary know,
- We will continue to have the Chapter Meetings at the Dealership on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm
- Still have some HATB Coins \$10 each. Nine(9) are left, if interested see me during the break
- Its been a great year so far, October is full of great rides and activities to choose from. So, we would like to continue this into November and December. I know the weather is getting colder and not so many rides. I know I won't be riding much once it gets to 40,30 degrees and what's on the roads
- For those of you who are Road Captains, let's start thinking about what you might want to do next year. There will be a Road Captain meeting in November. More info to follow on that.

Dealer Rep – Lyndon Abell

- The best part of speaking at the Chapter Meeting, you get to take your mask off.
- A couple of things to mention since Kevin mentioned Riding in the colder weather: We did have the Gerbing heated gear rep here last weekend. For two reasons: 1. To show the customers how it works; 2. So we are tuned up. We are tuned up, so if you

would like to see how the gear works and how its hooked up to your bike, we would be glad to help you. You can only insulate so much, at some point you need to generate! We also have a new modular helmet – the chin bar flips all the way back of the helmet so (unlike most modular helmets) you can ride with it open (like a $\frac{3}{4}$ helmet) but you still have the ability to close it for full face weather protection..

- We are going to leave a register open until after the break
- Elections: I am thrilled that we have Kevin here as Director next year. He did a great job this year, He and his team have accomplished a lot this year: The website, regular eblasts, communications and 82 Rides so far this year! There's a lot of things that please me to have Kevin and his team back. At the same time, I am disappointed that we did not have an election this year. Have already spoken with several different HOG Chapter Members, so thanks to those who have already shared their time and I look forward to talking to more members, about some things we can do for the future. Not a big fan of presenting the membership without a choice. If anyone here would like to talk about that or have ideas to share, let me know. Just write down your name and number and I will call you and discuss it further.
- Chili Cook Off this Saturday, October 23rd. We still have a few spots open. If you would like to participate, fill out the form, so we can get you on the docket.
- Halloween Costume Contest is Saturday, October 30th, we will have prizes for Customers, employees, pets and kids if they come
- We will be closing early on November 3rd for a private party.

Assistant Director - Rob Stirling

- HOG Rally will be held in Solomon's, MD June 23 – 25, 2022. Room Block is available, Host hotel is Holiday Inn. Booking Code is HO2. Ton of rides, activities. Doc is leading that part up, if you need more info you can talk to Doc. But as we get more information, we will pass it on to you. As we get more information on other Rallies for next year we will let you know.
- I counted 28 members attended HOGS ON THE BEACH, Total of 180 . We tied for 1st place, so we lost since Penny couldn't find her way on time to get counted. Thanks for everyone that did come out and helped Doc with the games
- We took home some prizes: Jousting - 1st place – Kevin & Diane
- Kevin – Oh you didn't win anything, except for 2 rides on a trike.
- Something that we can control Ride 365 -
- Only have 28 are logging their mileage. If you haven't had a second reading, please fill out forms tonight. Sheets are at Motor Clothes,
Out of 460 members 28 members are logging their miles for the Ride 365, We are #1 in Maryland but way behind we're at 162,000 miles in, 10 months in, last year we had over 400,000 miles.
- Number 1 in Region is Indianapolis with just under $\frac{1}{2}$ million, we are #6 in the Region
- But what is good we are 55th in the nation. 1st in the nation is Cajun Lafayette, Louisiana with over 1.2 million miles already. We don't even have the first comma, (lots of laughter).

- That's all I have, since I don't have Activities anymore.
- Kevin: and to add to the 365 stuff: Last month we reported over 460 members 28 of us are logging our miles. Imagine how much miles we would have if at least half were logging their miles.

Secretary – Debbie Kirby –

• Bumped and Bruise Report:

- Frank Neifer – Had his shoulder surgery on 30 Sept 21, with is here tonight.
- Shelby Pine – Here tonight after recovering from surgery,
- Jurgen Smith – Here tonight after having shoulder surgery
- Let's Keep everyone in our prayers for continuing to heal
- Jeannie Whittington – Lost her son unexpectedly. Let's keep her and her family in our thoughts and prayers

Good News –

- Most of you know I wasn't here last month. The reason I wasn't here is because Todd and I got married last month. (Much whistling and cheering followed this wonderful announcement). Thanks to everyone.

Membership Officer – Beth Truesdale

- Members attending tonight – 62
- Total Membership – 508
- Its almost Fall, which means it's almost Renewal time. Membership is calendar years, January 1st to December 31st. So, if you join after November 1st, we let them carry on without cost. But need to resign membership form. We might start letting them slide in December, as long as they are dated January 1st, 2022. Keep your eye on your National Membership, you must have a current National membership in order to have chapter membership. It might be time to start thinking about Lifetime Membership it's a good deal.
- Two guys here tonight that haven't been here in a while, so welcome back Willy Grusholt and George Callaway.
- Three (3) new members to introduce tonight
- Ben Milne, Don Jones and Nathan Ko

Kevin McConnell

- **Welcome Gary Davis to the Activity Committee**
- **RC meeting will be held in November to discuss Next Years rides**
- **October was our busiest month for Rides, lets keep the rides going as much as possible in November and December**

BREAK – If you have a birthday in October. HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL

Get your 50/25/25 Tickets –

Kevin McConnell –

- For those members that participated in the Primary Events for the MDAMRA. We won back the most attended trophy. 84 of you rode to these events. Special thanks to the RC's that led the rides

Head Road Captain – Doc Truesdale

- Road Captain Meeting November 7th at 1pm in Upstairs Conference Room at AAHD
- How many participated in the Cheesesteak challenge? Did you see on FB who the winner was? Winner was Mrs. K's in Upper Marlboro, Rt 301. If you haven't been there, you should try it out Good Food.
- A suggestion was for Next year we might try to have another Cheesesteak Challenge and add BBQ Places
- Rally is June – the Demo truck will be at the dealership, will need volunteers to help with this event. Don't have to do all day, just a 4-hour block would be helpful
- Newest Road Captain – Greg Bouton received his RC patch.
- Holiday Party Surprise – Doc has a Surprise Game – KNOW YOUR MOTORCYCLE PARTS!!
- If you have Ride Ideas – contact any Road Captain or Primary Officer, Web page ride suggestion form, or leave a note/contact info in the Chapter Mailbox
- Ride Chief. If you don't want to lead rides as an RC, and you have a cool place(s) in mind to go, plan it, identify a RC you would like to lead it. Get it on the calendar.
- Reviewed RC duties and responsibilities. Our chapter needs you.
- If you're interested in becoming a future RC, let Doc, Matt, Kevin or Rob know.

Up Coming Rides:

- RC Rob Stirling – Saturday, October 23rd – Chili Cook Off Ride – leaving from the WAWA 5/235 split, Pre-brief 10:15am, Kick stands up 10:30am
- RC Bob Smith – Sunday, October 24th – Bealeton Flying Circus – leaving from CPFCU, Charlotte Hall. Pre-brief 8:45 am Kicks stand up 9:00 am. Additional pick up in Dahlgren Sheetz around 9:45 am
- RC – Rene Wilbur – Monday, October 25th – Mystery Ride – leaving from CPFCU, Charlotte Hall – Pre-brief 11:15 pm, Kick stands up – 11:30 am
- RC – Phyllis Warman - Wednesday, October 27th – Hump Day Ride – leaving from AAHD – Pre-brief 10:15 pm, Kick stands up 10:30 pm. Additional pickup at Sheetz in Dahlgren at 11 am
- RC – Todd Brooks – Thursday, October 28th – Bike Night – leaving from AAHD, Pre-brief 5:15 pm, Kick stand up 5:30 pm

- RC – Rob Stirling – Saturday, October 30th – Halloween Costume Ride – leaving from the WAWA 5/235 split - Pre-Brief 11 am, Kick stand up 11:15 am
- RC – Rene Wilbur – Friday, November 5th – Lunch Bunch Ride – leaving from AAHD, Pre-brief 11am, Kick stands up 11:15 am
- RC – Bob Smith – Saturday, November 6th – Urbanna Oyster Festival – leaving from the WAWA 5/235 split, Pre-brief 7:155 am, Kick stands up – 8:00 am. Additional pick up at Sheetz, Dahlgren between 8:30-8:45am
- RC – Art Leon – Thursday, November 11th – Veterans Day Parade – leaving from CPFCU, Charlotte Hall. Pre-brief 7:00 am Kick stands up 7:10 am. To be a part of the largest parade around. Then off to Frank's house to see 100 flags on the poles. Then to Mission BBQ
- RC – Bob Smith – Friday, November 19th – Full Moon Ride – leaving from AAHD, Pre-brief 6:00 pm, Kick stand up – 6:15 pm

Assistant Road Captain – Matt Allen

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Safety Officer – Todd Brooks

- **Motorcycle toolkit Essentials**

To clear my head, one of my favorite things to do is take off and see where the road takes me. Generally, this is out in the country with nothing around except beautiful countryside and the occasional horse and buggies. We are going to focus on tips to help ensure you get home should something break while out on a ride.

There's a wide variety of tools and emergency items I keep in my bike. I could suggest many tools/items, but storage space is always a consideration. Keeping it simple, but effective is the goal. At best, most OEM toolkits are not rider/bike friendly. And if purchased secondhand you may be missing the toolkit completely. Take the time to look at your bike and see if you have a toolkit and if it has everything, you'd need to save the day in case of an emergency. Heck, I've saved the day for many broken down riders I didn't know, but as a motorcyclist, it's what we do.

At minimum, I would recommend:

Pliers

Wire cutters

Assorted screw drivers (torx on newer bikes)

Emergency light

Duct tape

Electrical tape

Adjustable wrench

Allen wrench set

Flashlight

Spare fuses

Zip Ties

Tire pressure gauge

Tire repair/plug kit with Co2 bottles (saved me on a long ride and I was glad to have it!)
Each rider knows his/her own ability to handle a roadside emergency but having some of these tools on hand can be a life saver. Every bike has specific needs for tools.
Taking the time to look over your bike now before a problem occurs is time well spent!!

Example of using zip ties – on the Cumberland Trip, one of our members was heading home early, called back that he had broke down. So, I went to see what if anything I could do. The problem was his shifter had broken. We temporary fixed the shifter using zip ties. He was able to get home and get bike in shop for repairs.

Trivia Questions:

1, Which motorcycle color used to be considered very unlucky and would cause accidents?

Answer: Green – Winner **Rob Stirling**

2. There are 3 main ways to classify motorcycle engines: the number of strokes in the power cycles, the capacity of the combustion chambers and the number of _____

Answer: Cylinders – Winner – **Fred Hepener**

3. Which motorcycle model by Harley Davidson celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2020?

Answer: Fat Boy – Winner – **Gary Davis**

Treasurer – Barbara Allen

- Net gain/loss since last month, current balances.
- Beginning Balance - \$13,679.89
- Expenses - \$1179.29
- Deposits – \$321.00
- Ending Balance - \$12,891.60
- Expenses consisted of Holiday Party Training and HOG's on the Beach Items
- Deposits consisted of Ice Cream Sales, Tips from Working Dealership, 50/25/25 and Merchandise
- Projections of expenses Holiday Party budgeting \$6,600.00 before ticket sales.
- Kevin - Tickets are on sale now

DOOR PRIZES

ITEM	DONATED BY	WON BY
Poker chip & Shot Glass	Doc Truesdale	Marshall Barthelow
Poker Chip	Doc Truesdale	Ed Wilbur

T-Shirt	Gary Davis	Dave Moore
T-Shirt	Gary Davis	Susan Zarzaca
Poker Chips	Ed & Rene Wilbur	Jessica Zadlo
Poker Chips	Ed & Rene Wilbur	Warren Clare
Poker Chips	Ed & Rene Wilbur	Willy Grusholt
Poker Chips	Ed & Rene Wilbur	Brian Dupay
Key Chain & Koozie	Ed & Rene Wilbur	Don Jones
Challenge Coin	Cindy Allwine	Greg Bouton
Poker Chips	Cindy Allwine	Alan Perritte
T-Shirt	Linda & Shelby Pine	Pat Dagley
T-Shirt	Linda & Shelby Pine	GiGi Habiby
Koozie	Bob Smith	Matt Allen
Poker Chips	Bob Smith	Penny McGonigle
Poker Chips	Debbie & Todd Brooks	Fred Heppner
Poker Chips	Debbie & Todd Brooks	Ben Milne
Mano Purse	The Clare's	Rene Wilbur
Key Chain	The Clare's	Shelby Pine
Shot glass	Matt & Barb Allen	Keenan Enoch
Poker Chips	Matt & Barb Allen	Kevin Kennedy

Activities – Christina Stirling & Gary Davis (Gary speaking)

Sign up for Teams!

- Chili Cook-Off – Saturday, October 23rd – Bring your chili and enter the contest.
- Bake Sale during the Chili Cook-Off - looking for donations Collecting them from 10-11 am, so far, we have GiGi's HD cookies, Cornbread. Please make sure they are bagged, sealed and ready to be bought. We will not be bagging anything here. Everything will be donations only, no set price on anything.
- Fun Stuff – Holiday Party – January 22, 2022, 6 – 10 pm. Cost: \$30.00 a ticket. ON SALE TODAY
 - If you don't want to drive home after the party, you can book a room at:
 - Hotel Information: The INN at Leonardtown, 41655 Park Ave, Leonardtown, MD 20650. They are going to give us a block of rooms (25 rooms blocked at that price) Room Rate is \$105 plus tax. Call the INN at Leonardtown (301) 475-0187. Room Block Code: HOG, group # BZ14U1
- November Social : Christmas Tree Lighting, festivities start at 4:30 pm at the Leonardtown Square. Tree lighting is at 7:00 pm. There is also a ride, check the calendar. My family and I have been going for years. It's a fun time, vendors, carriage rides.
- Wreath Laying Ceremony coming up December 18th, we will need a headcount. Send email to Christina if you are interested in going. We know it starts at 12 (noon), as we get more information, I will let you know. It is at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
- We need volunteers for meetings, holiday party, etc.

- **T-SHIRT GAME**

For the new members – there are chips in this bag for every state except MD, but there is a chip for All American. The chip that is drawn and the winner or winners will split the prize. If they are wearing that state.

- \$20 month – OK – No winners
- \$30 next month

Editor – Greg Bouton

- Exhaust News
- Asked Kevin to Put newsletter out, then called back and said he had to make some changes. So, I took it back down. It will be posted again in a day or two
- We want to use this newsletter a way to tell our stories on the road, so you will see one from Lyndon, Me (Greg), some of the officers.
- Articles needed for New Newsletter. Please submit by November 1st.
- Members who submit articles will receive free 50/25/25 tickets
- Kevin said he has asked Sherry to do an article on her trip to MO, and Ed and Rene who did a 16-day ride to the Road Rally. The first to do a Road Rally. I've done a few solo trips to Merryville, TN. The only thing I can say about doing a solo trip, you have a lot of time to think about important things and not important things, reflect on friends and friends that have passed.

50/25/25 DRAWING

1st Winner: David Moore \$56

2nd Winner: David Moore \$56

That's really great, David Moore won both of the drawings!

Please send me an email, letting me know what I'm doing right or wrong, what I can do to make things better, need more ride suggestions on our calendar. If you have a favorite ride, send it to me and I will have Lyndon or Jessica put it on the Ride Board that's in the back.

Meeting was called to be adjourned at 7:52 pm. Please clean up and throw away any trash. Thank everyone for coming, safe travels home. Next meeting will be Thursday, 18 November 2021 at AAHD

Additional RC Information

Road Captain Orientation Rides:

- These will be scheduled 1-2 times per month, weather permitting, and includes an ice cream stop
- Select RC guidelines covered first as a refresher, followed by a briefing and shakedown ride afterward
- At the conclusion of the ride there will be a post ride discussion for a question and answer opportunity
- Open to existing Road Captains and RC candidates
- See calendar for next ride information

Welcome Rides:

- These will be scheduled 1-2 times per month, weather permitting, and includes an ice cream stop
- Briefings will be covered in detail to ensure all riders have a complete understanding, followed by a question and answer opportunity
- These will vary with short and easy rides assisting members to feel comfortable and confident with group riding
- Open to all members, regardless of experience level
- See the calendar for the next welcome ride details

By offering RC Orientation Rides, the goal; is to assist our RC's and RC Candidates an opportunity to either build and/or refresh each member's skill set for group riding. The welcome Rides offer a similar benefit for all members, regardless of experience level. Finally, the combination of these two types of rides held monthly should build on the knowledge and confidence levels for our members, thus increasing both ride events and increased attendance. Adding to that, Gov Hogan has (1) lifted the outdoor mask mandate and ended outdoor dining restrictions, (2) lifted capacity limits on both outdoor and indoor venues, (3) ended the statewide mask mandate. It's been 14 months of restrictions, and many of us can agree that we might be a bit rusty, so now is the time to work at resuming our skill sets.