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# HOG CALL

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DAYTONA BEACH HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHAPTER #0652



RICHARD (Stretch) SAWICKI

Thank You      Thank You

## DAYTONA HOG

Where do I begin? It has been one wonderful year having you all let me be your Director of the 'Greatest H.O.G. Chapter in the World'. It has been enlightening, challenging, gut-wrenching, thought provoking and overall 'FUN' in representing you, Daytona Beach H.O.G., in all the meeting, events, social functions and RIDES I have had the opportunity to attend with you and many other H.O.G. members throughout not only the U.S., but around the world.

The year started out a bit 'shaky', but after getting my foothold into some of the functions & events we have as members of H.O.G., it began to smooth out and start to be a real work-in-progress assignment you have given me as the Director. Again, I want to say to each and everyone of you . . . THANK YOU, thank you, thank you.

After all of that, I still have to ask . . . Where did the year go? Here it is, coming up on the end of October already, and still a few H.O.G. Chapter functions, events and social gatherings to attend. . BUT! we do not know what the future may hold for any of us, and as we all know the past is history, but I'd like it to be known as 'Memories' and good times with all those riding companions we go out and have so much fun with . . . and that's what it's all about . . . "Riding and having Fun"!

We have a few important RIDES to look forward to, the Primary Event over in Ocala which is a great RIDE over to the event, as it's their yearly H.O.G. Primary Event and Toy Run. Then we have a great RIDE, it's the one for Mike & Sandy Gilbo, the Memorial Ride sponsored by a sister-Chapter, Ancient City HOG of St. Augustine. This is just a few to mention here, and, our Head Road Captain is already in the planning mode to start the 'Riding Year' out with some great locations with the Road Captains of Daytona Beach H.O.G., so please, go to the Web Site check that Ride Calendar to see where their going and when, so you too can join in on all those memorable rides.

In closing, with all the Rides, gatherings and events, etc. there was a sad time, again, for this great Chapter, with the passing of a fantastic member, Michael 'Mike' Piers of Flagler Beach. On Saturday, after the meeting and a stop by New Smyrna Beach H.O.G.'s Primary Event, we went to the home of Jeff and Jack Simek to have a 'Celebration of Life' for 'MIKE' and enjoy each other's company remembering the good times we had & the opportunity to have in knowing 'MIKE'.

So, see you at the meeting, on the road or at one of the functions of Daytona Beach H.O.G. . . . .

Stay Alert & Ride Smart

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SAFETY OFFICER: JOHN DEVITO  
SAFETY ARTICLE

I was on the road nearing the end of an interstate ride when it began to rain. As the road is slipperiest at the beginning of a new rain I pulled into a gas station to top off my tank and have a bottle of water. I waited about 10 minuets for the oil and dirt to wash of the road prior to continuing on with my ride

I pulled out behind a group of riders, approximately 10, heading the same direction I was going. I took up a place in the back of the pack. They were riding single file in the center of the road. If you have attended any MSF class you know a motorcyclist divides a lane into 3 positions, left, center and the right. Which one is the best? That depends on the situation but remember you should place yourself in a position that you can see and be seen. However, on a wet road the center in the slickest part of the road, cars and other 4 wheeled vehicles drop oil and other fluid in the middle. A staggered formation would have been a smarter and safer decision in this case

Several of these riders had their electronic cruise control activated. At the beginning of a rainfall you should turn off your cruise control in your auto or on your motorcycle. Cruise control is designed to maintain your speed. Puddles cause your vehicle to slow, in an effort to maintain your speed the drive wheel will speed up. While riding on a cushion of water the drive wheel will slip spinning faster than necessary. When traction is regained you could spin out of control. This is one of the many causes of interstate crashes in the rain. The loss of control is worse if you are on 2 wheels. How did I know they were using their cruise? Their right hand was wiping visors but not on their throttle. For you smart asses (you know who you are) there were no old police Indian motorcycles in the group with left hand throttles

They continued straight as I turned east to my destination. No incidents occurred while I rode with this group. They most likely wondered who the guy in the back on the white Harley was and why he rode left of center.

One more wet road tip. In a driving rain place your bike in the tire track of the vehicle in front of you. You should see their tire pushing the water to the side and it will keep you out of the center. Your motorcycle tires have a better chance of keeping on the pavement. This will reduce the chances of hydroplaning

Now get out there and ride but please ride safe and this time of the year carry your rain gear



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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:

NORM BOGARD

And SECRETARY: JAN BOGARD

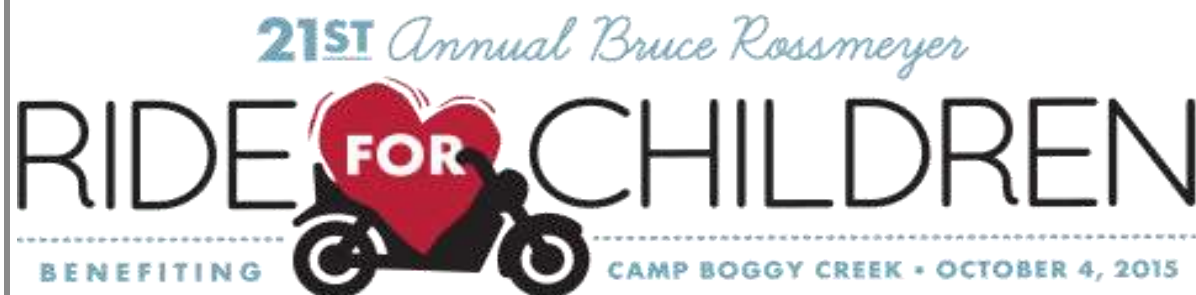
Time keeps on slipping into the future and we find ourselves in fall. Octoberfest is behind us and most of the things still to accomplish, are for fun. Witches Night, the picnic, and the Christmas party, yes indeed, we will finish this year in the fullness of our motto "Ride and have fun!".

I want to give a heartfelt "Thank You" to all who have stepped up to help in all of our endeavors this year. Your help makes the Daytona Beach HOG club the best chapter Harley-Davidson has.



Head Road Captain:  
Jerry Gomes





Presented by:



Thank you Riders. Thank you for participating in the 21st Annual Bruce Rossmeyer Ride for Children,! Since the first kickstands went up 21 years ago, the Ride has raised over \$5 million dollars thanks to you and the vision that Bruce Rossmeyer had for this event.

WE hope you enjoyed the ride and the time you spent with us at Boggy Creek. The ride was a great success raising over \$300,000 this year! Over 400 enthusiastic and generous riders joined forces to bring joy to the children with serious illnesses. Thank you! WE would love to hear about your experience on the ride. Please take a moment to complete our survey at SurveyMonkey.com. We value your opinion and your comments will help us improve the Ride for Children in the future years. Please check out the pictures of the 21st Annual Bruce Rossmeyer Ride for Children on our Facebook page.

Again, thank you so very much for your support of our courageous campers. We hope to see you next year on October 1st and October 2nd.

Sincerely

Lisa Hicks

Chief Development Officer

**Thank you for changing the life of a child with a serious illness!**



## MISSION

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## CHAPLAIN FRANK

### Summer turns into fall for HOG Daytona Chapter

We had a great trip to Ft. Myers for the State rally and ran into a few of our great members. One of the great rides was to Woody's and exchanged the bike for an airboat. As we approach the fall season, riding weather gets better, and our numbers increase.

As seasons change, so does life, each of us goes through "stuff" and everyone's "stuff" is different. For myself, after being cancer free for over 18 months this summer it returned. So now I return to treatment to Kill Cancer. I know I will be victorious. Your stuff might be health issue, or finances, or family..... As we go through stuff it helps to have friends encourage us through our stuff. This is where HOG Daytona comes in, to have people, friends to encourage us! When we help others with their stuff, it also helps us with our stuff, as we help others our stuff seems not as huge.

As a follower of Jesus, I know He is always there to listen, fix, and speak into my stuff. The Bible says, "He will never leave me nor forsake me." That also means - He is not mad at me, He is not upset at me because of my choices, He does not hold my mistakes against me. During Biketoberfest I hosted Biker Church at "No Name Saloon" in Edgewater, FL. I spoke about the Prodigal Son, and the point is - we can always come home to Jesus. It is called Amazing grace!

In our "stuff" our friends are there for us and Jesus is there for us..... We can't lose!

Ride safe..... be there for each other ..... and let's make this season about relationships....

Remember: Stuff happens, but friends help us get through it!



## Crash We Witnessed

Most of you know my post retirement career is an MSF rider coach. I'm a fan of "All The Gear All The Time" (ATGATT). In addition I feel all riders should work on their riding skills. With that in mind Diane and I went to Long Island late September and early October. We were west bound on Nesconsit Highway behind a rider on a Streetglide, he looked about my age. As he entered a long left turn lane his speed was 35 to 40 MPH. He was in the blind spot of the car on his right. You guessed it the vehicle began to move toward the motorcycle. They never hit but the rider turned his handlebars left making his M/C move to its right. He panicked and locked up his brakes. Locking the front brake when the bars are not square will cause you to go down as he did. The rider high sided and was thrown from the bike into the guard rail. The bike landed in front of him under the guard rail. His front tire left around 30 feet of skid marks.

Diane was driving our car she stopped turned on her 4 way flashers. I began first aid Diane shut off the downed bike and called 911. The rider had on fingerless gloves and a novelty helmet. As you might have expected he was unconscious and his hands were torn up.

Police and fire rescue responded and the crash was handled as expected. The rider was still out cold when he was placed into the ambulance. The driver that pulled into his lane fled the scene, no big surprise there.

There are several things that would have prevented this crash and reduced injury. First he should have removed himself from the cars blind spot. At the speed the rider was going he should have pressed on the left handle grip the bike would have gone left. If the handlebars were square when the front brake was applied he shouldn't have gone down. A good helmet and gloves would have reduced if not eliminate the injuries.

It was hard to watch a motorcycle crash unfold in front of us however we did what we were trained by our sons to do. I think they would have given us their stamp of approval.

Ride Safe.

John DeVito







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ACTIVITIES:

BETSY MORRISON

Check the website for the latest updates on all  
Daytona HOG activities:  
<http://daytonahog.com/activities/>

Or click [here](#)



We are encouraging you to make better use of our website, [www.daytonahog.com](http://www.daytonahog.com). While our newsletter is "current" only once every other month, our website is continuously "published" and it is where you will find information that is updated on an on-going basis. That means the information is more current and more reliable, reducing the potential for errors and misunderstandings.

**We have several items for sale on our website.**

**Go to <http://daytonahog.com/membership/member-advertising/>**

ReMEMBER ADS: To advertise motorcycle-related items that you have to sell, simply click on the following link and fill out some basic information, attach a picture, and your item will be listed online — no cost to you.

[CLICK HERE TO REQUEST YOUR FREE MEMBER AD](#)

<http://daytonahog.com/members-only-2/ride-points/>

FRIEND US ON FACEBOOK: Here's the link to our Facebook page and remember to "friend" us. You'll find photos and other information updated throughout the month — it's almost like having an instant newsletter!! And it's a place to share your thoughts.

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Bogard Jan	91
Schmidt Bill	88
Schmidt Cindy	85
Bogard Norman	79
Ahlers Herbert	78
Sawicki Richard	74
Berthiaume Al	72
Berthiaume Linda	72

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## Super HOG 10/22/15

Gomes Jerry	86
Powell Mitchell	80
Remington Donald	79
Adamson Gavin	73
Hutchinson Kevin	73
Schmidt Bill	55
Lessig Eugene	54
Sawicki Richard	54
Zibas Al	54
O'Malley Thomas	52

## 2015 MEETING MONEY RESULTS

### September

50/50 Kevin Hutchinson \$143  
CBC 50/50 Linda Seeley \$80

### Door Prizes

1st place Mark Madden \$25 gift card  
2nd place Don Seeley ac/dc multimeter  
3rd place Russ Smith flashlight & cloths  
4th place Sharon O'Connor t-shirt  
5th place Sue Smith-Anderson t-shirt

Pig N' Poke winner. No winner \$626 rolled over

Ride & Have Fun Book Gift Cards  
Angela W and Tom Savage

## HOG Bucks 10/22/15

Gomes Jerry	498
Powell Mitchell	408
Remington Donald	360
Johnson Dennis	278
Sawicki Richard	273
Adamson Gavin	246
Hutchinson Kevin	244
Zibas Al	221
Schmidt Bill	217
Ahlers Herbert	204

**ROAD CAPTAINS****2015 MEETING SCHEDULE**

6:30 P.M @ Houligans  
US 1(Destination)  
Ormond Beach, FL

**Parking Lot Practice (free to Daytona Hog Members)**

Drill Team Instructors

John DeVito Roger White Dan Vassallo

The Daytona Beach Drill Team is leading a parking lot practice course the first Sunday of each month from 9 -11AM (excluding Bike Week). Practice is at DESTINATION DAYTONA near the Coke Pavilion. PLP is a great tool to improve your riding skills at NO COST to you. All members welcome. Join us.

Click  
to check out our Drill Team  
in action during Bike Week!

< HERE >

ACTIVE 2015 ROAD CAPTAINS to date: Jerry Gomes (Head Road Captain) Herb Ahlers. Mark Bartoli, Norm Bogard, Rudy Castillo, Carl Costa, Beverly Lawrence, Bill Lawrence, Tom McNair, Mitch Powell, Don Remington, Richard Sawicki, Don and Linda Seeley, Greg Sieger, Jeff Simek, Chuck Steele, Dave Sullivan, John Williams.

Trainers John DeVito and Dan Vassallo.

**To Be A Road Captain You Must:**

- Attend a Road Captain Training course at least every 2 two years.
- Lead AND tail at least 2 rides a year
- Active paid member of Daytona Beach HOG
- Be a current member of National H.O.G.
- Ride a Harley-Davidson motorcycle
- Attend 2 Road Capt planning meetings per year
- Must wear a helmet and vest when taking a ride
- Attend 2 PLPs per year

**All Road Captains serve at the pleasure of the Head Road Captain**

*Rockers will be earned when the above is completed*

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## 2015 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

### Houligan's Sports Grille

At Destination Daytona  
1643 North US Highway 1,  
Ormond Beach

The 4th Saturday of each month  
(Note changes in red)

November 21( due to Thanksgiving)

Meetings begin at 10:00 AM  
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