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HOG CALL

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DAYTONA BEACH HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHAPTER #0652

Wishing
Happy Holidays

to ALL our

Daytona HOG Members

and Best Wishes

for a GREAT

2016



Richard & Connie Sawicki

SEASON'S GREETINGS

"HOW DID WE DO IT ? "

Reflecting on the past year . . .

Here I sit trying to remember all the happenings of this past year, 2015, and all that we, as the Daytona Beach H.O.G. Chapter, have achieved,

First, there was that moment when I realized you had all approved the slate of Officers and I had become your HOG Chapter Director. Not **only was I in 'shock', but I believe I had heart palpitations with the thought that I may fail you all.**

Well, as it seems, with the determination, direction, support, guidance, and backing of the Administrative Staff, and all those Daytona Beach Chapter members, we have made it through a great year known as 2015.

The year [2015] took-off real good in the beginning, and only got better from **then on. It started with those spring, wet riding days and on into those 'lazy, hazy 'HOT' summer days, continuing into the, finally cooling-off, refreshing days of the Fall season.** And now on into the winter months, knowing it will all start, again, in the year 2016. sit here typing my last newsletter message for 2015 and wonder how and what we all can do to make this coming year better than the one we are about to leave behind. I know that the challenges will be numerous, we all will have many accomplishments, and we also will feel the pain of some plans not coming to fruition. BUT! That gives pause to back-up, review and **move ahead, even if it's in another direction where we can still accomplish the goal we set out to achieve.**

This past year we set a magnitude of goals, achieved many, and will strive to maintain our pace in getting to the balance of ideas, seeing them completed.

In closing, my wife Connie and I want to wish you all a very happy Holiday Season, Merry Christmas and a safe, joyous New Year

Richard (Stretch) and Connie Sawicki



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Harley Davidson Demo Ride workers October and November 2015-missing from picture are Herb Ahlers, John DeVito and Bill Schmidt .



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SAFETY OFFICER: JOHN DEVITO
SAFETY ARTICLE

What a good year 2015 has been, our chapter has accomplished a lot. With the Christmas Party, Decembers PLP and several rides yet to come there is more to do.

In November our Parking Lot Practice (PLP) had a small turn out, about 18 members. These riders all wanted to work on their riding skills. With their enthusiasm we did get a lot done. No, we didn't teach them anything new however we reminded the riders of things they had had forgotten.

Every now and then we have to remind riders, during slow tight maneuvers you need to keep the RPM's high and use the friction zone. To you mature riders that means slip the clutch. Yes you can lug the engine on big V-Twins but not when leaned over in a slow tight turn. With the rev's high and the clutch in the friction zone, should you feel the bike start to go over you just let the clutch out and your bike will stand up.

Again if your bike is equipped with engine and saddle bag guards and it is on the way down keep your feet on the floor boards or foot pegs and let it drop. Don't try to stop it with your foot or arm, you could break something during the fall. As we like to say we are not teaching the mature (make that old) rider something new but reminding them of something they forgot. Is there something you want to work on? Is there some riding skill you need to improve? This information has been covered in prior articles. Its being repeated as our chapter has new members (and old) that may find this information helpful. Come on out and let us know, we will be there to assist.

Now to my favorite topic the Drill Team, why is that my favorite topic you ask? Team members practice riding once a week and continue to improve their riding abilities. There have been several retirements on the team and we no longer have enough to perform a drill. In fact this is the first time in my 16 years with the team we will not be in any Christmas Parades.

The team will now have practice every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. next to the pavilion at Destination. The team would like any rider interested to come out and work with them. There are things team members learn that we do not cover at a PLP. For additional information please contact Roger White.

Well here is to 2016 and another great year for Daytona Harley Owners Group.

Now get out there and ride but as always please ride safe.



2015 was a great year for the Daytona Ladies of Harley

We filled the year with so many events that we ran out of time to do them all.

Just to name a few; we had a ladies only ride to Silver Springs, dinner and a movie, fund raising and volunteering for Camp Boggy Creek, Witches Night, morning after brunch and organized lunches. . . .

We built a strong group of ladies that truly believe in Riding and Have Fun.

After three years of being the LOH Lead I am happy and excited to say that Gail Smith will be our next LOH lead for 2016+. She will do a great job. I look forward to many exciting events that I will continue to support and have fun in.

Merry Christmas

and

a Very Healthy Happy New Year to you all.

Robin Katsock-Nardi



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Hail to the Chiefs

By unanimous consent, members of Daytona HOG in November voted to **seat our “new” slate of officers for the coming year.**

Congratulations to our 2016 officers:

Director: Richard "Stretch" Sawicki.

Assistant Director: Jon MaGill.

Secretary: Jan “Jay-Nine” Bogard.

Treasurer: Cindy Schmidt.

With no contested races, no “elections” were required and consistent with our chapter by-laws, the slate was reviewed and approved by Will Rossmeyer.

The Elections Committee salutes these four members for raising their **hands and accepting the “one-hour-a-month” burden of leadership.**

We would also salute the contributions of Norm “Bogey” Bogard, who “retires” undefeated from his one-year in service as Assistant Director.

– Submitted by Elections Committee members Jeff Simek and Linda “Smitty” Berthiaume



Christmas season..... then a NEW YEAR!

As we enter this Christmas season, I always think back to Christmas as a kid. The wonder of Santa Claus being at the store.... matter of fact at every store??? How many Santa's are there? Helping with family decorations, inside and out. The baking of cookies by Mom in the kitchen, Oh the smell still is in the air! Carolers walking the streets singing Christmas Hymns. Finally the week before Christmas going to church and watching or being in the Christmas play.

Year after year always reminded of the reason for this season. As I grew older I found out about other celebrations Hanukkah celebrated by the Jews among others. As I talked with families I found out that many had similar experiences with family traditions. As I think about this season, I think not about the specific Holiday or traditions, but, FAMILY.

This season is about family / Love and respect / Caring / Remembering

As we draw into the end of December I think about Boggy Creek and the work they do. The Woman's Abuse Council and the work they do. We can take away from these great services - we help, a little... we as HOG Chapter Daytona, we care. When a Biker goes down, we care, When we lose one of our members we bring comfort and care. We are family.

Then before you know it, NEW YEARS is here. Everyone thinks about New Year's resolutions or losing that extra weight, or some new idea, travel more, make more HOG rides..... One thing is real and that is as HOG Daytona Chapter enters a new Year, we are family, we care, and we love to RIDE and HAVE FUN.....

Have a great Christmas season and looking forward to the New Year 2016.... Amazing that we are entering 2016..... We have lived, survived and now enter this amazing great year.

God bless and celebrate... CHAPLAIN FRANK





Dear friends,

I would like to report that \$554.10 has been collected by me from, the Daytona Beach HOG Chapter as of November 21, 2015. The funds are for the **DAC, Domestic Abuse Council of Volusia County, Inc.** A huge heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to all that made this possible. Each month I ask the center what they need the most, shop for the items and Bill and I deliver them. The chapter always receives a thank you note. I give the donation slip and receipt to Terri our chapter secretary. If you ever want to read the thank yous please just ask me. I have decided for 2016, I will ask for a dollar every other month.

Also, the radio station The Rock has a contest every few months. The charity that has the most votes wins money. That would be a great help. So please go the website www.youdecidetheride.com. At the top you will see vote now, scroll down until you see Domestic Abuse Council and click on the circle. Scroll to the bottom and click vote. You can do this as often as you want. So far I think it is 34%. You guys are the best and I thank you.

Sincerely,

Linda Gilbert



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DAYTONA HOGCALL



Richard makes a presentation of a check in the amount of \$14552.21 to Sharon Couture for Camp Boggy Creek on behalf of the Members of Daytona HOG.



We are encouraging you to make better use of our website, 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.

Looking to buy items for sale. You can find at:

<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.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE DAYTONA HOG FACEBOOK PAGE — REMEMBER TO "FRIEND" US!!](#)

ACTIVITIES:

BETSY MORRISON

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

Or click [here](#)



Volunteer Points 11/15/15

| | |
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| Gomes Jerry | 138 |
| Zibas Al | 129 |
| Bogard Jan | 123 |
| Schmidt Cindy | 107 |
| Bogard Norman | 98 |
| Schmidt Bill | 97 |
| Sawicki Richard | 93 |
| Berthiaume Al | 82 |
| Berthiaume Linda | 82 |
| Ahlers Herbert | 81 |
| Simek Jeffrey | 75 |

**SUPER HOG POINTS AND
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New Bucks Started on
November 16, 2015

**Super HOG 11/15/15**

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| Gomes Jerry | 96 |
| Remington Donald | 86 |
| Powell Mitchell | 83 |
| Adamson Gavin | 78 |
| Hutchinson Kevin | 76 |
| Zibas Al | 64 |
| Schmidt Bill | 62 |
| Lessig Eugene | 57 |
| Johnson Dennis | 55 |
| Sawicki Richard | 55 |

2015 MEETING MONEY RESULTS**October****November****Door Prizes****Door Prizes**

1st Jo Ann Mitchell

1st Kenny Wright

2nd Tom McNair

2nd Norm Bogard

3rd Rudy Castillo

3rd Michael Walsh

50/50 Mary Barrington

50/50 Rory Burdine

Camp Boggy Creek 50/50
Dave CapletteCamp Boggy Creek 50/50
Connie Sawicki

Pig 'N Poke No Winner

HOG Bucks 11/1515

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| Gomes Jerry | 563 |
| Powell Mitchell | 444 |
| Remington Don | 397 |
| Johnson Dennis | 306 |
| Sawicki Richard | 290 |
| Adamson Gavin | 272 |
| Zibas Al | 271 |
| Hutchinsom Kevin | 256 |
| Schmidt Bill | 250 |
| Simek Jeffrey | 221 |

DAYTONA HOG CALL

ROAD CAPTAINS & BOARD

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

5:30 P.M @ Houligans

US 1(Destination)

Ormond Beach, FL

January 20

February 17

March 16

April 20

May 18

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16

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, Dennis Johnson, Beverly Lawrence, Bill Lawrence, Jon Magill, Tom McNair, Mitch Powell, Don Remington, Richard Sawicki, Don and Linda Seeley, Greg Sieger, Jeff Simek, Chuck Steele, Dave Sullivan, John Williams

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

Trainers John DeVito and Dan Vassallo.

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Forms are on line at www.daytonahog.com



Crystal River HOG Primary Toy Run, group leaving Daytona that December morning!

DAYTONA HOGCALL

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|--|---|---|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Richard "Stretch" Sawicki | <u>Director</u> |  | 2 O 1 4 D A Y T O N A H O G O F F I C E R S | Jon Magill | <u>Assistant Director</u> |  |
| Cindy Schmidt | <u>Treasure</u> |  | | Dan Hopkins | <u>Membership</u> |  |
| Jan Bogard | <u>Secretary</u> |  | | John DeVito | <u>Safety Officer</u> |  |
| Betsy Morrison | <u>Activities</u> <u>Newsletter Editor-in- Chief</u> |  | | John Reid | <u>Photographer</u> |  |
| Jerry Gomes | <u>Head Road Captain</u> |  | | Peter Ellingwood | <u>Quartermaster</u> |  |
| Terry Potter | <u>Webmaster</u> |  | | Lou Nardi | <u>Sergeant-at- Arms</u> |  |
| Robin Nardi | <u>Ladies of Harley</u> |  | | Pam and John Novicki | <u>Welcome Committee</u> |  |
| Linda "Smitty" Berthiaume (with "Just Al") | <u>Historian</u> |  | | Frank Gresham | <u>Chaplain</u> |  |

2015 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

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