

Jan/Feb 2016



HOG CALL

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DAYTONA BEACH HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHAPTER #0652

Well we started the New Year in a fine way, but it's really getting 'kind of crazy' out there now that the politics are starting up again, for the election of a new President. We seem to have accomplished about the same thing too, with you all entrusting me with your leadership for another year, and the other fine members you have allowed to lead you into this next year of activities and 'Riding Fun'. I have to also mention and recognized the accomplishments of some of our own members, especially Robin Nardi, the past leader, for over three years, of the Ladies-Of-Harley within the Daytona Beach H.O.G. Chapter.



Sitting here, I try to remember, and ask about all the other members who also have stepped-up in our time of need in covering all the tasks this Chapter has in the day-to-day AND yearly operations that make it the "World's greatest H.O.G. Chapter". I find it amazing that those that have 'answered the call' come from a diverse background of careers and titles, who bring their own experiences to the Chapter in helping to keep us solvent, dedicated to our mission and making sure we all have fun, be it at a social event, an outing, or a Riding destination.

This year has started out with a multitude of 'Rides' and other functions within the Chapter, and now we are focusing in on the **"PRIMARY EVENT"** for Daytona Beach H.O.G., as we are hosting our event on **April 02, 2016**, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00m p.m. [**really, just four hours**] right here at Destination Daytona. We need everyone's help, again, in making this another successful year with our Primary Event. We have a list, already started, for volunteer positions in all the areas that have to be covered to make this a success. At the February meeting, we will be asking for you, our members, to sign-up in working many positions for the Primary Event.

We also have a need for a lead person (or two) to handle the H.O.G. Dog Stand operations, a committee for the Christmas Party, a committee for the Fall HOG Picnic and other needed area where volunteers are need to cover the many activities and events for Daytona Beach H.O.G. So, please, consider this request and help your fellow rider, member in continuing to make this the "Greatest HOG Chapter in the World".

RIDE SAFE, RIDE OFTEN

DIRECTOR **RICHARD 'Stretch' SAWICKI**

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February 2016 Daytona HOG DOG Stand thanks are owed to
James & Blanch Loving, Jerry Gomes, Stretch Sawicki, Al Zibas ,Linda Powell



PLP—Photos

The weather outside was *frightful*—but we had members turn out for PLP and our trusty Photographer **John Reid** was there to capture the moment.
(February 2016)



HOG DOG STAND CORNER



January Daytona Hog Dog Stand Volunteers—Jerry Gomes, Jack and Jeff Simek , AL and Smitty Berthiaume, Stretch Sawicki & Woody

Our Many THANK YOUs !

Articles for sale are on the Daytona HOG website at
<http://daytonahog.com/membership/member-advertising/>

Tour pack, rain suit, helmet, leather vest, seat, muffler, intake air 2 jacket, custom Harley, spokes and wanted– a short cb antennae. All information on website.



Many thanks to the December 2015 Daytona HOG DOG Stand Crew.
Dan and Rose Boyle, Gail & Woody Smith, James & Blanch Loving

Safety Article

A year or so ago I told you of changes the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) was making to the classroom portion of the Basic Riders Course, (BRC). They went from a video base program to a power point presentation. What a good change that was, it kept the students involved and the class moving along.

This year they are offering options and changing the range exercises. I just finished a 3 day certification class that certifies I'm good enough to teach the new stuff, or maybe I'm just certifiable.

First you now have an option, you can attend a 4 hour classroom session with a written test at its conclusion or a 4 hour "E" course. This is an at home computer class and must be done no more than 30 days prior to taking the rest of the class. What I like about the "E" program is you take a 3 to 5 question test after each section. You don't wait to take a 50 question test at the end of the class. It does away with the stress of testing.

The MSF has reduced the number of riding exercises and increased the riding time for the ones left.

The big question, what about the figure 8 or the dreaded box? Yes it is still in the riding portion of the second day however it is no longer on the riding test. The figure 8 has been replaced with a U-turn. The Skills Evaluation, or riding test, is more like the old DMV test, stalling your bike now counts against you and you fail when you reach 16 points or drop your bike. One more thing, if the student appears unsafe during testing, when they reach 16 points a rider coach may stop their test. Prior to this change they would keep testing and tell them their score at the end.

I can hear your questions now, why change the classroom and what will this do to the pass fail ratio? In my opinion the new classroom is designed to get new riders to think, look ahead, try to avoid problems, look for escape paths. As to a pass fail ratio of the riding/skill portion, I'll reserve my answer until I have had the chance to run classes for a few months. As always the rider coach's first responsibility is safety.

January's PLP was canceled due to weather. As for the riders that braved February's cold and rain we enjoyed a hot breakfast and a good time. March will most likely be canceled due to bike week, please remember to check the web site for any changes. Some of you may remember at December's PLP I was asked to make it easier as it was too hard, others asked me to make it harder as it was too easy. I have been working on **a drill that you can do on 2 or 3 wheels** that is as easy or as hard as the rider wants to make it. Roger and Dan have been using it at drill team practice and it seems to work. Come on out and try.

I hope to see you at PLP and if you really want to improve come on out for Drill Team practice, just watching can help. When is DT practice you ask? Sundays 10 to 12 same place as PLP.

One more quick tip, old but none the less still valuable. With it getting cooler if you plan to ride in heavy jackets, pants and gloves practice on a short ride first, get use to the feel, as thick gloves change the feel of the clutch and we know how important the clutch in slow tight turns.

In addition a heavy jacket not adjusted properly can prevent you from turning your head, checking your blind spot etc.

Try it out do not leave anything to chance.
Until then get out there and ride but as always, please ride safe.

John DeVito

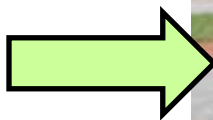
Safety Officer





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Notice
the
riders
crossed
legs



Your 2016 Daytona HOG

Sponsoring Dealer - Mr. Will Rossmeyer

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Newsletter Editor - Betsy Morrison

Ladies-Of-Harley Officer - Gail Smith

Head Road Captain - Jerry Gomes

Safety Officer - John Devito

Photographer - John Reid & Jeff Simek

Chapter Historian - Linda Berthiaume

Membership Officer - Dan Hopkins

Web Master - Ira Strauss

Welcome to ALL and Thank you for Volunteering!



Blackwater Ride



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Must have
been the
promise of a
nice warm
day so 30
plus riders
showed up
for **Chuck's**
Blackwater
Lunch Ride!





JERRY'S ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT

We are into the 2016 riding season, with some great rides behind us and many more to come.

I am so happy to see several of the ladies are stepping up and becoming road Captains.

So far Gwen Murry has qualified and Rose Boyle is almost there and J9 has started her training.

These ladies will be planning rides for NOT ONLY the "Ladies of Harley", but also everyone else.

Now as for planning rides—**ANYONE** in the Daytona HOG Chapter can plan a ride. You DO NOT have to be a Road Captain.

Here is how it works.

You come up with a place you would like to ride to.

Let me or one of the Road Captains know that you have a suggestion and we will get it planned for you.

Now here is the best part.

If a non-Road Captain comes up with a ride and we make it happen,

The person that originated the ride will receive a one time BONUS of twenty-five (\$25) HOG bucks.

This is available to any member—EXCEPT Road Captains. (Sorry ladies and gents).

Remember we can ride anywhere, not just to places in the Ride & Have Fun Book.

If you are on a ride and need a Ride & Have Fun Book, let me know.

I ALWAYS have extras with me.

If you would like to become a Road Captain—please let me know.

The basic requirements are on our website— daytonahogs.com

And speaking of the website. It is ALWAYS a good thing to check the Ride/Activities Calendar the night before a ride or before leaving to go on a ride, to make sure there are no last minute changes.

Remember Ride Safe and Have Fun

GAIL SMITH

LADIES OF HARLEY DIRECTOR

Welcome 2016! This year brings a leadership change for Ladies of Harley. Robin Nardi has been LOH Director for the past three years and was recognized for her outstanding leadership at the January Chapter meeting... **well deserved, great job Robin!!** With much support from many of the ladies, I will take over for Robin beginning this year. I have been riding for 15 years and currently ride a Dyna Switchback. I first joined Daytona HOG in 2000 as an associ-



ate member and within a year was riding in the front seat! Woody and I moved to Atlanta in 2004 and returned just two years ago. We are happy to be back with Daytona HOG!



Daytona HOG has a very active Ladies of Harley. If you are a Chapter member, joining is free and you do not need to ride your own bike! I highly encourage you to come to one of our meetings and see what we are all about. We had our first 2016 meeting on Feb 11th, our next meeting will be on Mar 24th. Check the Daytona HOG calendar for time and location. The ladies have already been very active in January, with a Lunch & Show Ride to the Flagler Auditorium and with a Cruise to the Bahamas! Much more in store for 2016, including a Blue Springs ride to see the manatee, overnight trips to

the FL Gulf Coast, and activities supporting our Chapter's primary charity, **Camp Bogey Creek!**

Daytona HOG Director

"Stretch" Sawicki

and retiring

Ladies of Harley Director Robin

Katsock-Nardi



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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. While our newsletter is “current” only once a 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/>

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!!](#)



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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 2016 ROAD CAPTAINS to date: Jerry Gomes (Head Road Captain)

Mitch Powell, Greg Sieger, Dennis Johnson, Rich Sawicki, Al Zibas, Bill Schmidt, Jerry Gomes, Don Remington, John DeVito, Mark Bartoli, Jeff Simek, Jon Magill, Dan Vassallo, Gwen Murry, Ken Fox, Jan Bogard, Rose Boyle, Pam Novicki, John Williams, Chuck Steele, Herb Ahers, Tom McNair, Norm Bogard, Carl Costa, Bev Lawrence, Don Seeley, Linda Seeley, Cindy Schmidt, Bill Lawrence, Rudy Costello

Trainers: Roger White, John DeVito and Dan Vassallo.

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

Rockers will be earned when the above is completed

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

INFO FROM OUR WEBMASTER: The www.DaytonaHOG.com website is in compliance the National H.O.G. web standards and has a certified rating. This allows our site to link directly from the National H.O.G. SITE. **Note:** Certain areas of DaytonaHOG.com are password protected; the "member" password is available from any of our club officers — just ask.

Here are the winners from January 2016 Monthly HOG Meeting :

Door Prizes 1. Connie Sawicki

2. Larry D'Amato

3. Mark Davis


50/50. Mike LaFlamme

CBC 50/50. Bill Schmidt

There was no winner for Pig 'N Poke. \$96.00 carries forward



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Richard 'Stretch' Sawicki	<u>Director</u>		2 0 1 6
Cindy Schmidt	<u>Treasure</u>		D A Y T O N A
Jan Bogard	<u>Secretary</u>		H O G
Betsy Morrison	<u>Activities & Newsletter Editor-in- Chief</u>		O F F I C E R S
Jerry Gomes	<u>Head Road Captain</u>		
Ira Strauss	<u>Webmaster</u>		
Gail Smith	<u>Ladies of Harley</u>		
Linda "Smitty" Berthlau me (with "Just Al")	<u>Historian</u>		

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Jon Magill	<u>Assistant Director</u>	
Dan Hopkins	<u>Member- ship</u>	
John DeVito	<u>Safety Officer</u>	
John Reid	Photog- rapher	
Peter Ellingwood & Carol	<u>Quarter - master</u>	
	<u>Sergeant-at - Arms</u>	
Linda & Bill Gilbert	<u>Welcome Committee</u>	
Frank Gresham	<u>Chaplain</u>	

DAYTONA HOGCALL



Monthly Daytona HOG Meeting



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MEMBERSHIP: Local memberships expire December of each year, including for Life National HOG Members. You may NOT purchase multiple local years. Complete the form online to renew, or email Membership and they'll send you the form. Include an envelope if you won't be picking up your card at a meeting. THERE IS A FORM! Notify Membership of email and mailing address changes so you'll receive your updates and your newsletter.

What do you get for your \$20 Annual Dues?

- A \$25 Gift Card after 20 rides. That's a 125% return for doing an average of only one ride every 3 weeks.
- Membership in the Rossmeyer Rewards Program receive 2 points for every dollar spent.
- An opportunity for part-time compensated employment during Bike Week, Biketoberfest and special events.
- Discounts and special offers on bike services at Destination Daytona
- An action-packed, thrill-filled newsletter
- A cool website and fabulous Facebook page
- Over 125 planned rides which include: Overnights, 300+ mile Rides, Rallies, Weekday and Weekend Rides
- Monthly meetings at Houligans Bistro and Grille with free beverage and donuts
- Motorcycle Riding Skill Training by the best in the business. *For Free!*
- A fantastic Christmas Party
- AND if you buy a new bike from Destination Daytona, you will receive your first year's membership to the Daytona Beach H.O.G. Chapter FREE OF CHARGE. Contact our Membership officer for further details.



Click-on the HOG Logo above to download a membership form.

When you think about it, there aren't many better deals these days than your Dayton Beach HOG membership. But there's something else. Great Fun and lasting friendships. That's a Freebie and it's *Priceless*.....

TO OUR READERS AND GUESTS: To join the local Harley Owners Group Chapter, you must be a National H.O.G. member or associate member. To join National, you (or your better half) must own a Harley. You can join National H.O.G. by calling 1-800 CLUBHOG

MEMBERSHIP: DAN HOPKINS

Hello everyone as a reminder for renewing your membership here is a list to help make it easier.

- 1 .You can get the membership form and address on the chapter website www.daytonahog.com
Or Click on logo above.

It is mandatory that we get a new form from everyone for 2016.

2. Fill out the membership form completely. Please print to help eliminate any errors.
Make sure you include your national HOG expiration date
If it has or will soon, get it renewed.
3. Sign and date it
4. You can bring the form to the monthly meeting or mail the membership form dues (\$20.00) to
The chapter address. Daytona HOG P O Box 1441 Daytona Beach, FL 32115



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Daytona HOG Christmas Party



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HOG Picnic

The Daytona HOG 2016 spring club picnic will be ON---- May 14, 2016

There will be a \$5.00 deposit from each member who signs up -----
and will be returned if you attend the event.

There will be a \$15.00 charge for non members and will not be refunded.

Sign up at the February and March Daytona HOG meetings.

Questions contact Herb Ahlers.

Primary Ride

The Sanford Primary ? has a different setup. If you want to go you must register in advance. \$10.00 includes lunch BUT you must register by 02/21/2016. www.centralfloridazoo.org.

Registration at Seminole Harley on day of the ride is US\$15.00 and DOES NOT include lunch. All activities will be at the Zoo. Contact Head R/C Jerry Gomes if you pre-register or will register on site by 02/22/2016. R/C Greg Sieger will meet you at Destination @ 8:00am with P/U in Osteen if there is enough interest




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2016 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)

January 24
February 28
March 28
April 25
May 23
June 27
July 25
August 22
September 26
October 24
November 21

Meetings begin at 10:00 AM
with a "Meet & Greet" at 9:30

Visitors and guests welcome!



BOARD & ROAD CAPTAINS

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

6:30 P.M @ Houligans

January 20

February 17

March 16

April 20

May 18

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16



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