

**May/June
2016**



HOG CALL

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DAYTONA BEACH HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHAPTER #0652

DIRECTOR RICHARD 'Stretch' SAWICKI

Director's Message – May 2016 Change and Circumstances

There comes a period when a person realizes that to continue down the road, at the same stride, doing the same route, leads one to start a period of complacency which usually becomes so common that boredom and lack of enthusiasm consume one's self.

Well . . . The time has come whereas that person finally understands that to continue on such a path will only lead to self-satisfaction and not address all the other issues all the other people were trying to tell him/her about.



It's really time for a change, and get back to the basics of what this great body of people are really about "Riding and having Fun". I now realize that we do not need a boring, lifeless meeting to let all those fine members, who give of their own time to attend a meeting, to be 'bored out-of-their-mind' with such minute details.

As you can see by the last meeting, in May, now known as the 'Social Event', we had a change-up in the presentation and overall venue, hoping to speed things along and get you all 'out-the-door', so you all can get out there and 'Ride and have Fun'! We, the Executive Board will strive to continue such a pace at each Social Gathering (By-the-way . . . now know as the 'Monthly H.O.G. Social Gathering') where we'll give you all the best information we can release to you all at the Gathering. Otherwise, the Website [www.daytonahog.com] with the Activities Calendar, the Social Site [FaceBook] and the H.O.G. Chapter Newsletter. This is where you will & can find all the other pertinent information regarding the H.O.G. Chapter's activities, scheduled events and other H.O.G. information and commitments.

We have also elected to streamline the 'Road Captain's responsibilities', whereas the lead/head Road Captain title will now fall under the ranks of just 'Road Captain', allowing for all Road Captains to work, equally, together in all the Ride planning and completion of each Ride. These changes come at a time when the amount of responsibility may be overwhelming to one person, and will allow for sharing of the work load amongst all the Ride leaders. Also to note, you do not have to be a Road Captain to plan, and lead a Ride, just submit your Ride Plan Sheet to Activities Director – Betsy, to be placed on the Activities Calendar.

There will still be those grand weekday 'Rides', and weekend excursions to establishment both near and far. There will still be the monthly 'Bike Nite', with a bit of a change-up to the locations we will be meeting at. There still will be those seasonal dinner 'Rides' that we had in 2015. So, please, watch the sites for announcements for time, location and dates of all those 'Rides' and other events for the Chapter.

FOR SALE

Brand New Vest – Size Large

Never worn. Patches included. Frank Pellegrino
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vinnie57@yahoo.com



Articles for sale are on the Daytona HOG website at
[http://daytonahog.com/
membership/member-
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ITEMS FOR SALE

- Guardian 2-Piece Rain Suit Size XL
 - 100% polyester rain suit with PVC coating and polyester liner for added comfort
 - Double stitched and taped seams for strength and water resistance
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 - Jacket comes with two large front pockets and draw string waist for adjustment and comfort
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2 HELMETS

- Both are XXL, half-helmets
 - Brand new, never worn
- One is a Galaxy helmet with skulls
- One is a Bell brand helmet with flames

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John DeVito Safety Officer

SAFETY BRIEFING Read at the monthly meeting on 4/23/16

Our road captains do a good job and are well trained. I have been asked to expound on several issues that were said during the pre-ride meeting.

- **There seems to be confusion on the 2 second following distance.** Its real simple. When the vehicle in front of you passes a point, it could be a street sign, mail box or intersection, just count one, one thousand, one, one thousand two. At the second number you should be at the point the vehicle in front of you was when you began counting, simple.
- **If you are closer than 2 seconds** stay alert and be prepared to take the proper action should an incident occur. If you are 3, 4 or more seconds behind several things can occur. First you are adding to the rubber band effect. That is the group getting longer and shorter, causing riders in the back to speed up and then brake. Add to that you are inviting cars to cut into your formation. This can cause riders with out **knowledge of the destination to rush, run red lights and stop signs so they won't be left behind.**
- **What can we as riders do about these situations.** Keep the size of the group smaller than we are doing. Depending on what safety group you check with its recommended M/C group rides be kept to 6 to 10 riders. Why you ask? With a second following distance at highway speeds 8 bikes are the length of a semi and most car driver can pass a semi truck.
- **We ride at the speed limit,** most other vehicle go 5 to 10 over the limit. If traffic backs up behind the group the best way to avoid an incident would be for the rear road captain to radio the lead R/C and pull into a parking lot (not on the side of the road, no, no, no) and let the back up pass you safely.
- **What to do if you can't keep up?** We always tell riders to ride their own ride. Let the R/C know you're uncomfortable, perhaps you could ride in the front next to the lead R/C or perhaps we could set up a second yet smaller group. The benefits of being up front—you won't get left behind and the rubber banding will be reduced. **Don't day dream, keep your head and eyes up, staying alert.**
- We all want a safe fun ride, if you have any ideas on how to increase safety, please let myself, a board member or your favorite R/C know. **Safety is everybody's job !**



John DeVito Safety Officer

Safety Article

At April's board meeting I was asked to prepare a safety briefing for the general membership meeting held on April 23. A copy should be elsewhere in this news letter. It was to be based on group riding and explain several things said by our very capable road captains at the pre-ride briefing. It was met with grumbling and several argumentative emails.

I mentioned we ride at the speed limit and most car drivers drive 5 to 10 over the limit. This causes traffic to back up behind us on a 2 lane road. In an effort to prevent some car attempting to pull an unsafe pass, a suggestion would be to pull into a gas station or parking lot (not on the side of the road) and let the cars pass safely. When I finished making that statement a member said "no, no, no", I would be happy to discuss that with you. First off I do not make stuff up when it comes to motorcycle safety. This suggestion (and it is just a suggestion) came from a National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration safety video. It would be up to the road captains to make the call if that maneuver became necessary.

Another email "our road captains exceed the speed limit signs in turns". Not to be picky but the white rectangular signs with a number and MPH on it are the posted speed limit. The yellow signs are information advisory signs. When I was a young police officer working uniform patrol I remember being told they applied to trucks only. I will suggest our R/C slow while in curves.

The 2 second following distance also caused some hot emails. If you are uncomfortable with a 2 second following distance, due to the rubber band effect, a suggestion is to break into smaller groups leaving 5 minutes apart. A new rider or one with a new bike could ride up front next to or behind the lead r/c. That could also go for a rider not knowing the route being taken and concerned with getting left behind. If you are uncomfortable with riding in formation or don't like the route being taken do what Diane and I did in the past, we would meet the chapter at the rides end and yes you still get ride points.

Once again I don't make answers up off the top of my head. I go by my training as a Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider coach. In addition I research the what and whys of motorcycle safety. Please remember the object is to ride, have fun and remain safe while riding.

I started as safety officer in 1999 and have served 3 times for a total of 14 years. The first time I volunteered the second and third I was drafted. I don't want to hog (pun intended) the position therefore I'm retiring. If you're interested in the safety officer position please let the board know.

I would continue to assist Roger and Dan with PLP and help Jerry conduct the next road captains training.

Screw it lets ride.



[DAYTONA HOG CALL]

Greetings and first, I am really missing you all but life has had its hold on me and our family. Personally my battle with Multiple Myeloma cancer has bumped up a notch, we thought I was in a “Cruise” mode... Well, I had 4 tumors show up and we are now battling that... and during this same time I rode the Bike back to Missouri to be with my mom as she journeyed to heaven. She went to Heaven on April 26th but then there was a 10 days of family and things, I was also responsible to preach her funeral so that added to the stress... with a funeral in Missouri and grave side in Texas... was a bit much and jokingly I have said 10 days with my family is about 8 too many! He he..

I want you each Hog member to know we continue to pray for you and keep you in our hearts.

During this time, I was talking with my sister and she began to talk to me about my mom’s life motto, which I had never heard about. I actually shared this at the funeral, but I also think it might help some of us who live through stuff

Her motto was “you play the hand you have been dealt”. Now my mom was not a poker player but a Bridge player. I actually had to read up on Bridge to find out how you played it. Unlike Poker in which you can “Fold-em”, (many of us try to “fold” our lives situations, but they never go away until you play them out)- Bridge you have to play the cards you are dealt. This was my mom’s thinking. She had been through a lot, like many of us, but I never heard my mom complain. Even this past 2 years being bed ridden, never complained. Losing My dad to cancer in his early 60’s, never complained. She did not like it, but never complained. In her 40’s she survived Cervical cancer, with 3 small children to care for. Like all of us she literally walked through the fire, with trust she would somehow make it through. Back to the game of Bridge, in bridge you also have a partner. You can rely upon their hand to help you out or you help them, but you do not know what they hold. The good news is in our lives we have a partner, God, who has our back. He is here to help us, heal us and give us wisdom through the process. No matter what you going through you are not alone. And if you will just play it out, live life with peace and joy through it.. THIS TOO SHALL PASS!

So just to let you know, I might have been absent the past few months but you continue to be in our thought..... AND Prayers ... blessing and respect Pastor Frank

Frank Gresham

Pastor



H.O.G. Spring Picnic

Here's a 'Shout-Out' to Herb Ahlers and Geno Lessig for the Spring 2016 H.O.G. Picnic. You both did another excellent job in volunteering to put together another outstanding gathering of those H.O.G. members in attendance. It was organized and put together, with support from other members of the Chapter, making it another fine time at Pitmaster's 'All-You-Could-Eat' H.O.G. Bar-B-Que Picnic in Deland.

It was great to see such support for Gail Smith and the L.O.H. I applaud the membership in supporting and playing those 'table games', whereas they (L.O.H.) raised much needed funds for the Ladies Of Harley activities throughout the year. Thank you all for supporting them in this Endeavour.

ALSO . . . There were some great 'door prizes' given away at the H.O.G. Picnic event, and must say a 'Thank You' to those vendors for their donations, as well as members who took the time and went out of their way to gather these gifts to be given away at the event. I believe there were in excess of 25 gifts awarded at the Picnic. Congratulations to all the winners with those prizes, the 50/50 and the table games that were held by the L.O.H.

Now let's see how the plans go for the Fall H.O.G. Picnic . . I'm sure Herb and Geno can use some 'extra' hands in planning and presenting another fine gathering. "Please" contact either one of those members and get involved in working on the picnic Committee.

Camp Boggy Creek

I have been notified, again, that the Camp will be holding their Fall Bike Rider Challenge on September 10th, 2016 (Saturday) and will possibly need support from our H.O.G. Chapter riders. This is not definite, but will keep the Chapter informed as to any and all requests from the Camp requesting Chapter Reminders

Chapter Reminders

The Daytona Beach H.O.G. Chapter Annual Holiday Party is DECEMBER 17th, 2016

The 'Bruce Rossmeyer "Ride for Children" of Camp Boggy Creek is OCTOBER 02, 2016

The NOVEMBER H.O.G. Social Gathering will be on SATURDAY – NOVEMBER 19th, 2016

Daytona Beach Chapter dues, new & renewal, will be \$25.00 for year 2017

JERRY'S ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT

WE ARE INTO THE 2016 RIDING SEASON, WITH SOME GREAT RIDES BEHIND US

AND MANY MORE TO COME.

NOW AS FOR PLANNING RIDES ANY ONE IN THE CHAPTER CAN PLAN A RIDE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A ROAD CAPTAIN.....

HERE HOW IT WORKS, YOU COME UP WITH A PLACE YOU'D LIKE TO RIDE TO LET

ME OR ONE OF THE ROAD CAPTAIN KNOW AND WE WILL GET IT PLANNED FOR YOU.

REMBEMBER WE CAN RIDE ANYWHERE, NOT JUST TO PLACES IN THE RIDE AND FUN BOOK.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO BECOME A ROAD CAPTAIN LET ME KNOW.....

THE BASIC REQUIREMENT ARE ON OUR WEB SITE.

AND SPEAKING OF THE WEBSITE, IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD THING TO CHECK THE RIDE/ACTIVITIES CALENDAR THE NIGHT BEFORE OR BEFORE LEAVING TO CHECK TO MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO LAST MINUTE CHANGES.....

REMEMBER RIDE SAFE & HAVE FUN

SCREW IT LET'S RIDE.....



GAIL SMITH
LADIES OF HARLEY DIRECTOR



What fun we had at the International Female Ride Day! We had six bikes take the ride to Crystal River and joined a group of lady riders 300+ large for a 90 mile journey through beautiful scenic roads on the West Coast of Florida. We are looking forward to returning next year, or perhaps host our own ride here in beautiful Daytona Beach! We wrapped up May activities with the LOH Fundraiser at the Chapter Picnic. Thanks to all that played and volunteered, we raised \$76 for LOH.



We have activities planned for June, such as the Board Art project at Whim Wham Studios in Ormond Beach on Jun 14th. Go to <http://www.whimwhamartstudio.com/adult-classes.html> and select the Private Class with the motorcycle (or course!); you need to sign up by June 9th. Also in June, the Ladies of Harley will be working the June 12th HOG Dog Stand to raise funds for Camp Bogey Creek, so come out and support a very worthy cause!



Our Next LOH Meeting is Jun 9th at Houligan's at Destination. The meeting starts around 7 p.m., but come early to eat and catch up! We have lots of rides and activities planned for this year and always welcome new ideas!

Gail Smith loh@daytonahog.com

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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/>

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)

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

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









FOR SALE

Original Mufflers – 2007 FXD Dyna SuperGlide

- Excellent condition
 - \$50
- Terry Potter
386-793-7844





[DAYTONA HOGCALL]

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



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

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 Daytona 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 your yearly membership renewal -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



For Sale

2008 Spoke Wheels off of an Ultra

They are 25 MM and not the 1" axles. Just swapped wheels after putting new tires on these spoke wheels. Therefore new inner tubes, bands and chrome hardware for disc brakes worth over \$150 are all included. \$300 firm for all. I would rather sell it locally than put it on Ebay and deal with shipping.

John Conte
386.846.1015
kd2fbjohn@gmail.com



I have a brand new unused mobile motorcycle chock for sale. Didn't

get to use it on my trip to Deals Gap. Asking \$55. Bought it new on eBay

for \$68. Must be local sale or pick up. I won't ship. I can be

contacted at srga300@aol.com. Thanks

S. Navarro
Deland, FL



2016 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Houligan's Sports Grille
At Destination Daytona
1643 North US Highway 1
Ormond Beach

The 4th Saturday of each month

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

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16



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