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HOG CALL

DAYTONA BEACH HARLEY OWNERS GROUP CHAPTER #0652

RIDE SAFE, RIDE OFTEN

DIRECTOR RICHARD 'Stretch' SAWICKI

Director's Message

First, let me say I'm a bit sorry I had to miss the July H.O.G. Chapter meeting, but the opportunity to get away for a bit of time was a welcome to all this 'heat' we are all experiencing here in Florida well, the heat was out west too, but the humidity was averaging a dry 12%.



So . . having had the opportunity to get-away for a bit during the hot months of July and part of August, we elected to attend our family's Reunion. This year it was being held in Kinnear, Wyoming . . . A town along Route 26, west of Riverton. Well, this is one of those towns, out west, where you are tooling along at 70 m.p.h. and immediately have to drop to half of that speed [35 m.p.h.] while you traverse past the three city blocks of this small town. AND . . you know it's a small town when the population is posted at 42 resi-

dents. Heck! We had more of a head-count at the Family Reunion (63 in attendance) than they have as residents.

Overall, it was a great vacation just getting out to Wyoming, seeing a lot of uncles, aunts and cousins, and then traveling around this great country seeing all the sights. We had a chance to (motorcycle) ride thru Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, part of New Mexico, up into Colorado and into Wyoming. Well, the 'we' part was actually myself and an associate from my previous employment, Tom Walsh. The wife, Connie, and daughter, Kim, followed in our truck, towing the Kendon trailer, once we met-up with Tom in Ft. Smith, Arkansas, who traveled down from New Jersey. And, by-the-way, this is only Tom's second cross-country motorcycle trip.

Once the bikes hit the pavement, we were geared to ride the duration of the trip all the way to Kinnear, WY. It was excellent riding thru Oklahoma, over to Amarillo, TX. Then it was due northwest into New Mexico, and on up into Colorado, and finally arriving in Wyoming. Each night was a task planning the next day's route, avoiding interstate roadways and major cities, but also looking to make it an adventurous and most enjoyable, scenic route. We rode parallel to, or away from any major road so we would get the real feeling of riding and see the sights of each and every state we rode through.

Towns like Seminole, Chickasha, Granite, Dumas, Raton, San Luis, Canyon City, Salida, Buena Vista, Aspen, Breckenridge, Vail, Steamboat Springs, and many more towns. This was great as it brought us into valleys and on up into the high country as well. Rode to elevations as low as 235 ft. (other than sea-level here in Florida) up to Mt. Elbert at 14,000+ feet.

We have all heard about the changes H.O.G. is making. Along with the state rally system, below is another.

Change Is Good

Just over 33 years ago, the Official Riding Club" of Harley-Davidson was born. At the inception of the Harley Owners Group the focus was bringing together the passionate and brand loyal riders of Harley-Davidsons. The concept was born to get people out riding and having fun. To bring together dealers and their best customers, to bond with the motor company and most important to ride and have fun with each other.

So it's not shocking that when looking back we maybe could have done a couple things better. When we introduced the Harley Owners Group we took care to talk to the other MCs, rider groups etc. to make sure we showed the proper respect to the riding community. We created a historic logo, using an agreed upon 2 patch look. We took great care in naming our chapters, working with dealers and the communities involved. We protected our logos to make sure that everyone would know who we are and what we stand for...with one exception...the CHEVRON

The upper chevron was never protected by us. The thought was that the shape was not distinct enough to protect and the wording inside was different in each one so no common thread to protect. For years this was not an issue; however over the past several years there have been a number of HOG wanna be clubs starting up. Many of these are former chapter members who for whatever reason have left the chapter and are representing themselves as chapters. Some are national members who portray themselves as chapters; some are just people out there to deceive the public.

In our efforts to stop this trend and to be customer lead, yes we listen to you; we finally found a simple solution to the issue. We have created a new chevron that can be and is protected by our trademark.

The addition of the Bar and Shield to the chevron means that we can now enforce the entire 2 patch we proudly wear. This will help with everyone, biker and non, to easily identify who is a legit chapter and who is not. It will more easily allow us to go after those who are not legit chapters and those who misrepresent the Harley Owners Group.

This is a first step in many things that we will be unveiling in the upcoming year that will help your chapter grow, that will help your chapter get back to what we were founded for to ride the best damn motorcycles in the world and have fun doing it.



Articles for sale are on the Daytona HOG website at

http://daytonahog.com/membership/member-advertising/

All information on website.

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Director's Message

Sights breathtaking, scenery magnificent and experience a person will not soon forget. Riding and experiencing the local roads also brought us into local eatery's for lunch and dinners. It was great to meet and talk to the 'locals', get some tips on where to ride and what to stop and see.

After the Family Reunion was over come that Sunday morning, with breakfast and the traditional 'Bloody Marys', we said our good-byes and head north to Cody, WY. Tom and I still riding the bikes, and the ladies following, till we get to our motel. Here we had reservations for four days and the four of us rode in and out of Yellowstone National Park during this time. It's really great to have those National Park Senior Lifetime Passes, as it saved us \$25.00 for each day, per motorcycle. The weather could have not been better, and one evening, on the way back out from the Park, it was weather requiring a jacket or sweatshirt, go figure.

After all the riding, and all the sights, it was time to load-up the Trike and get back down to Florida. Well, that turned into an 'adventure' in itself, as that morning I woke-up to a dead battery on my bike, and could not load-up same on the trailer. Thank goodness for "Road America" biker service. Within an hour they came out, jump-started the bike and made sure it got loaded up on the trailer before leaving us to finish the tie-down. Tom was leaving directly to the east, headed back to New Jersey, so we said our 'to-do's' and he was on his way. His plan was to do a 'day stop' in Sturgis, and get further east of there, where cost of rooms and other amenities was less costly. Tom did note that he'll plan a Sturgis Adventure another trip.

The trip towards home was uneventful, other than to have to drive the Interstate (I-35) around and thru the Dallas & Ft. Worth area. You can have that big city, too much traffic and congestion. On the way home we also watched the weather every chance we had, due to impending storms rolling in from the west coast, behind us, as well as some formations out in the Gulf of Mexico.

We did manage a side trip into Waco, Texas, and for those of you that watch the HG-TV channel, with the program "Fixer Upper", this is where the couple, Chip & Joann Gaines reside, and have a business in the name of 'Magnolia' Farms. There is a nice store and shops right in the center of Waco at the old silos in town. And to note, there's FREE trolley service in and around the city of Waco, with a stop here. Talking to the local residents there, this is like a rebirth of the downtown area around the old railroad yard, grain elevators and run-down shops. People make it a point, on weekends, to get to this area and 'hang out', as there are free parks and a children's waterpark for all to use in and around their 'Magnolia' Marketplace

The last leg of our journey, across I-20, passing thru Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi was O.K., but you need to take those Interstate roadways if you want to save time. Then when we arrived at Jackson, MS., where we took Rt.45 southeast towards Mobile, AL. Then I-10 towards I-95 south, arriving home after 22 days on the road

Our next adventure...well, it's not even in the planning stages, but we will ... Travel Again!

John DeVito

Parking Lot Practice

I may have retired as safety officer however I will continue working PLP with Roger and Dan. Having 3 of us share the job works out great. If one of us can't make it there will still be two there to run the exercises. As always July's PLP was a success I'm guessing we had just over 20 members show up and participate.

There was a discussion on how do we get more chapter members to show up for PLP. I'm sorry but that is impossible. This is something you must want to do. There is a difference between riding as good as you want to and riding as good as you can. Last month there was a video on facebook it showed total stopping distance for 3 riders. One was a novice rider, I don't think we have novice riders in our chapter. The next two were experienced vs. expert's. The best stopping distance was done by the expert, no surprise there. What do you want to be an experienced rider, just riding as good as you want? To be an expert rider you need to get you and your bike out to PLP and practice. PLP is free, private lesions can cost up to \$100 an hour.

Roger and I started PLP in 1999. At this time expert riders didn't feel safe riding with the experienced riders. The funny part was our ladies would come out as their guys watched. After several months had passed, male members complain that there wives were now riding better than they do, duh.

Today this is still the reason for the topic of "how do we get more members to take advantage of PLP". Sorry gang but you can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink.

At one time I would say "show up and watch you may learn something". After all these years I tell students "if the wheels ain't turning you ain't learning". Please don't ask to ride my bike. If you can't ride yours why would I let you ride mine?

Please check the HOG web site calendar for the next PLP. It is scheduled for the first Sunday of each month from 9 to 11, excluding special events. Hope to see you there. Until then please get out there and ride but as always please ride safe. \

Welcome to our new Safety Officer Mitch Powell.

Super Hog Points as of July 2016

Gomes	Jerry	433				
Powell	Mitchell	430	Ahlers	Herbert	102	: I
Zibas	Al	287	Lessig	Eugene	99	
Bogard	Jan	262	Smith	Gail	97	
Remingtor	n Donald	239	Boyle	Rose	95	
Murray	Gwen	234	Steele	Chuck	92	
Johnson	Dennis	231	Fulop	Dalia	91	
Bartoli	Mark	218	White	Roger	87	
Adamson		217	Novicki	John	81	
Bogard	Norm	206	Knopp	Mary	76	
Schmidt	Bill	191	Gilbert	Bill	71	
Trippi	Michael	189	Burdine	Rory	70	
O'Malley T		177	Smith	Gerry (Wo	ody)	70
Magill	Jon	176	Gardiner	Jim	66	
Sawicki	Richard	160	Remingtor	Cynthy	66	
Barrett	Jimi	153	Sawicki	Connie	65	
			Gilbert	Linda	62	
Wright	Kenny	153	DeVito	Diane	56	
Schmidt	Cindy	150	Costa	Carl	55	
DeVito	John	137	Boyle	Daniel	54	
Sieger	Greg	134	Gardiner	Caroyin	54	
Bartoli	Sandi	129	Robinson	Howard	54	
Mrosky	Robert	129	Schamaun	Kathie	53	
Powell	Linda	122	Nardi	Robin	50	
Loving	Jim	117	Kincaid	Dave	48	
Hutchinso		116	Drella	Brian	47	
Loving	Blanche	115	O'Connor	Sharon	47	
Simek	Jeffrey	114	McFarlane		ries	46
Williams	John	107	Ellingwood			45
Novicki	Pamela	106			-	

H.O.G.® RALLIES!

RIDE BIGGER! HAVE MORE FUN! The rally season is here, and this year brings some fantastic opportunities to enjoy great riding experiences with other H.O.G.® members.

In all, there are more than 30 H.O.G. rallies planned for 2016 in the US. And, while rallies offer great fun and riding, they also present a challenge as a number of these rallies share the same dates. For example, in June there were five rallies on the same weekend. This forces members to choose between rallies, or sometimes opt out of attending altogether. When you add the additional opportunities for members to participate in Chapter rides, overnight rides, dealer events, and other non-H.O.G. events, you can see there's a lot of competition for members' free time.

For some time now rally attendees have asked H.O.G. to consider a more regional approach, meaning fewer and larger rallies. H.O.G. put this concept to the test over the last few of years with significant success. One example is in the Pacific Northwest, where the Washington, Idaho and Oregon rallies were combined. The net result was an 80% increase in attendance, significantly more miles ridden, and increased attendee satisfaction.

In light of this, H.O.G. will be evolving both the rallies and the rally proposal process to facilitate more regional H.O.G. rallies.

Our region will consist of Florida, Georgia & Alabama. A proposal will be submitted to the H.O.G. Regional Manager from each state. Rally selection will be based on several factors; Areas for great riding, points of interest, lodging selections and support from within the area that will be appealing/inviting to the H.O.G. member attendee. The revamped program will remove state lines but will NOT be referred to as a multi-state H.O.G.® Event. Once H.O.G. decides which proposal to go with, that is where the rally will be held for that year. So, if you have a favorite state rally you go to, this may be your last chance to go for awhile.

This Year's Florida Rally will be held in Polk County at the Sun & Fun Airport. Pre Registration Deadline Sept 7th. So don't delay. www.flstatehogrally.com

Thanks Ken Fox Treasurer, Florida HOG Rally

Volunteer/Participation Rank 2016

Smith Gerry 90

Sawicki Richard 88

Smith Gail 81

GomesJerry 63

Powell Linda 50

Zibas Al 40

Gilbert Linda 35

Nardi Louis 35

Loving Jim 30

Loving Blanche 30

Schmidt Cynthia 26

DeVito Diane 25

Hopkins Lisa 25

Landingham Debbie 25

Nardi Robin 25

Novicki Pamela 25

Powell Mitchell 25

Sawicki Connie 23

Schmidt Bill 23

Ellingwood Peter 20

Ellingwood Carol 20

Remington Donald 20

Bogard Norm 18

Bogard Jan 16

Meyer Gary 15

Skelton Carol 15

Wright Kenny 15

Adamson Gavin 10

Ahlers Herbert 10

Bartoli Mark 10

Bartoli Sandi 10

Berthiaume Al 10

Berthiaume Linda 10

Boyle Daniel 10

Boyle Rose 10

Caldwell Nadine 10

Hopkins Daniel 10

Johnson Dennis 10

Knopp Mary 10

Leonard Leo 10

Mitchell JoAnn 10

MurrayGwen 10

Reid John 10

Remington Cynthy 10

Schamaun Kattie 10

Shepherd April 10

Sieger Greg 10

Simek Jacqueline 10

Simek Jeffrey 10

Abeling Jean 3

Magill Jon 3

JERRY'S ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT

JULY 2016

WE ARE WELL 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.
SO FAR TWO MEMBER'S HAVE SUBMITTED SEVEN RIDES THREE HAVE BEEN DONE AND FOUR ARE PLANNED.
REMBEMBER WE CAN RIDE ANYWHERE, NOT JUST TO PLACES IN THE RIDE AND FUN BOOK.
JUST TO LET YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE ON RIDE AS OF THE END OF JULY WE HAVE DONE 108 RIDE'S AND WE STILL HAVE 4 MONTHS LEFT FOR THIS YEAR.
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 & FACEBOOK (DAYTONA HOG), OR MY PAGE THE NIGHT BEFORE OR BEFORE LEAVING TO CHECK TO MAKE SURE THERE ARE NO LAST MINUTE CHANGES
REMEMBER COMPLETE 20 RIDES AND GET A \$25.00 GIFT CARD (ONE PER YEAR). JUST DON'T ASK ME BOUT THIS AS IT'S CONTROLLED BY THE E BOARD.
SPEAKING OF THE E BOARD I'D LIKE TO WELCOME BOGGEY BACK AS OUR ASST. DIRECTOR.
REMEMBER ALL POSITIONS ARE OPEN THIS COMING FALL TIME TO STEP UP
BECOME AN OFFICER AND HELP RUN YOUR CHAPTER.
REMEMBER RIDE SAFE & HAVE FUN
SCREW IT LET'S RIDE

Ladies of Harley

Ladies of Harley is a program sponsored by the Harley Owners Group to support women motorcycle enthusiasts. It does not matter whether you are a passenger or ride your own, you can be a part of LOH! We have a lot of fun organizing several events and rides each year. We have an overnight ride to Cedar Key coming up, a free self

have an overnight ride to Cedar Key coming up, a free self-defense class scheduled for 9/26, 10/3, & 10/10, and of course our Annual Witches Night in late October. Don't miss out on the fun! Check the Daytona HOG calendar for details or contact me at LOH@DaytonaHOG.com.

The Daytona Ladies of Harley hold monthly meetings in addition to the Daytona H.O.G. meetings. It is a perfect place to meet other women members, ask questions, and get the latest Chapter information. We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month, with a few exceptions (check the Daytona **H.O.G Calendar), at the Houligan's at Destination Daytona.** All Chapter members are welcome to attend. Come early at 6:00 p.m. if you want to eat; the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and last approximately 1 hour. Our next meeting is Sep 8th, come join us!

Gail Smith

Daytona H.O.G. Ladies of Harley

Daytona HOG Picnic Saturday November 5, 2016

Hours 12-4 pm

Location Lost Lagoon Wings and Grill, North Dixie Freeway, New Smyrna

Questions Contact Herb Ahlers



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 ongoing 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/

<u>ReMEMBER ADS</u>: 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!!



July 23rd Ride to Beachfront Grill in Flagler by Paul Gunness

Parking Lot Practice (free to Daytona Hog Members)



John DeVito

Drill Team Instructors 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

in action during Bike Week!

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.

Rockers will be earned when the above is completed

- 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

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.

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

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



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

Norm "Bogey" Bogart	Assistant Director	
Dan Hopkins	<u>Member-</u> <u>ship</u>	
Mitch Powell	Safety Officer	
John Reid	Photog- rapher	
Peter Ellingwood & Carol	<u>Quarter -</u> <u>master</u>	
	Sergeant-at - Arms	
Linda & Bill Gilbert	Welcome Committee	-6
Frank Gresham	Chaplain	

Super HOG July 2016

Gomes	Jerry	62	Robinsor	nHoward	12			D 1.1	_	
Powell	Mitchell		DeVito	John	11		Vassallo		5	
	Thomas		Gilbert	Linda	11		Barkley		4	
Trippi	Michael		D'Amato	Larry	10		Fox	Sharon		
			McFarlar	ne Charle	s10		Fox	Kenneth	4	
	Jimi	45	Mucelli	Don	10		Gresham	Frank	4	
Zibas	Al	45	Steele	Chuck	10		Lawrence	e Beverly	4	
Adamsor		44	Davis	Mark	9		Nardi	Robin	4	
	on Donald		Fulop	Dalia	9		Boyle	Daniel	3	
Johnson		39	Lord	Reggie	9		Conte	John	3	
Wright	Kenny	39	Novicki	John	9		Conte	Sue	3	
Bogard	Jan	37	Novicki	Pamela	9		Ellingwoo	od Carol	3	
Magill	Jon	35	Smith	Gail	9		Garner	Rebecca	(Lucy)	3
Schmidt	Bill	34	Ahlers	Ardis	8		Garner	Marty	3	
Bogard	Norm	33	Bednar	Lynn	8		Gresham	Janet	3	
Loving	Jim	31	Burdine		8		Gunness	Paul	3	
Loving	Blanche	29	Costa	Carl	8		Hoffmanı	n Don	3	
Hutchins	on Kevin	27				0	Leonard	Leo	3	
Mrosky	Robert	27	Smith	Frank/Ge		8	Nardi	Louis	3	
Schmidt	Cindy	27	Drella	Brian	7		Reid	John	3	
Powell	Linda	26		Sharon			Schamai	ın Kathie	3	
Lessig	Eugene	24	Sawicki		7		Schamau	ın Greg	3	
Murray	Gwen	24	Straub		7		Seeley	Brian	3	
Bartoli	Mark	22	Toms	Derek	7		Seeley	Don	3	
Williams	John	22	Boyle	Rose	6		Smith	Eric	3	
Remingto	on Cynthy	21	Campbel		6		Bame	Jack	2	
Sawicki	Richard	21	Haber	Eli	6		Barringto		2	
Simek	Jeffrey	19	Smith	Angela	6		Black	Noel	2	
Bartoli	Sandi	18	Strauss	Ira	6			Gloria	2	
Ahlers	Herbert	15	D'Amato	June	5				2	
Gilbert	Bill	15	DeVito	Diane	5		Curtis	Anita	2	
Knopp	Mary	14	Ellingwoo	od Peter	5		Ernst	Drew		
Sieger	Greg	14	Hill	Lina	5				2	
-	r Carolyn		Karlstad	Marty	5		Eschenbe		2	
Gardinie		13	Smith	Gerry (W	oody)	5	Hildrith	KILK	2	
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<u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> 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: Overnighters, 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 <u>new bike</u> 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.

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.

You can get the membership form and address on the chapter website <u>www.daytonahog.com</u>
 Or Click on logo above.

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

- 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

YOU NEED TO RENEW Every Year!



Click-on the HOG Logo above to <u>download</u> a membership form.



SEPTEMBER 11TH



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THINKING LIKE A ROAD CAPTAIN by Mitch Powell Safety Officer

Firstly, I would like to thank John DeVito for his many years of service as our Daytona HOG Safety Officer. I will be depending on his guidance in the future in helping me to do this job. I will be looking forward to working with our Head Road Captain, Jerry Gomes, to continue implementing safety as our first concern when riding. Hopefully you will find the articles I submit as both informative and pertinent. **So let's get started.**

On occasion one might hear the phrase that "Someone is thinking like a road captain," but what does this mean? In general a road captain tries to visualize all circumstances that may occur on a ride that affects group integrity and safety. This thinking starts well before kickstands up. There's more involved than making reservations, getting in line and throttling away. Road captains have considerations to make in the positions of riders and/or the groups of riders. They need to select other road captains to assist as sweeps and secondary leads. Their ride briefings contain information necessary for a safe ride. Their routes are planned to minimize dangerous situations and to avoid unnecessary traffic. We should all know by now that intersections pose the greatest risk for riders especially when turning across an oncoming lane. Adjusting a route to include left turns at intersections with traffic lights, especially with a designated turn lane, is a safer choice. Admittedly this is not always possible and may cause the need for rider patience while waiting for the road captain to find the proper safe interval for a group turn. Remember when turning, the length of the road captain's bike includes all bikes in the column. Captains do not adjust their speed according to their own abilities, but to the riders to which they are responsible. Sand, leaves, oil, objects in or at the edge of the roadway or even sun glare are modifying factors along the route. Weather conditions such as severe heat, severe cold, and rain present safety considerations. The length of a ride may warrant a suitable rest stop. Narrow roads with no shoulders and roads with tight twisty turns may need a shift from a staggered formation to a single column formation. Single file for all construction zones is now a "Mother HOG" recommendation. Lead and sweep road captains coordinate safe lane changes. Road captains consider the safest entry into the destination's parking lot and the condition of that lot before arrival. Road captains may also be asked to assist with bikes that break down or to manage an accident scene. Although I'm only scratching the surface of a road captain's responsibilities, you should easily see by now that safety is their first concern. In summary, we should all attempt to "Think Like a Road Captain". This can only increase our margin of safety and makes us better riders. If you would like to learn more, talk to our road captains or even better consider training to become a road captain. LIVE THE DREAM, RIDE SAFELY AND HAVE FUN.

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)

September 26

October 24

November 21

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

Visitors and guests welcome!



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