

Daytona Beach
Harley Owners Group

Chapter No. 652



April 2017

Hogcall



“The Daytona HOG Directors Gathering”

All four of the most recent Directors

Richard Sawicki, Don Seeley, Dave Sullivan and Greg Sieger

By Photographer John Reid

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DIRECTOR Greg Sieger



Can't believe the success of our Spring 2017 Picnic, Great Food fantastic location, Ladies of Harley with games of chance and all the volunteers. Hats off to Lisa Hopkins and Linda Powell for all the work coordinating everything.

Definitely sets a goal for Fall.

The board has been busy checking out different venues for our Holiday Celebration. We have visited several locations and have one or two more to check out. The Party is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 13, 2017 . Once a venue has been chosen we will solidify the date and let the Chapter know. Along with this the price of the Ride and Have Fun Book (RHFB) will increase to \$30 US after the April meeting, this is due to the increase costs we have been seeing at the different venues we have visited. So if you want to save some money make sure and purchase your RHFB by the end of the April meeting.

We are still looking for volunteers for the "HOG Buddie" program. As I said last month, it is a program to help New Members feel more comfortable and welcome into the Chapter as most have no real sense of what to expect. We want all members to feel like they belong and not like outsiders. If anyone is interested please contact me or any Board member and let us know you are interested. You can also let any of us know at the meeting as well.

We are looking for volunteers for "HOG Buddies" but also for other things. Points are earned for participating on committees and assisting with Chapter functions. Hog Dog Stand comes to mind. Volunteers are needed the second Sunday of every month. The Hog Dog Stand is the Chapter fund raiser for our charity Camp Boggy Creek and helpers are always needed.

As always any comments, suggestions, complaints or advice is always welcome. You can contact me or any Board member with any concerns. It's a Chapter and everyone makes it what it is "The Best Damn HOG Chapter"

Ride Safe and Remember "Dress for the Slide not the Ride"

Strange but true : Those who study such things say that if you drink 100 cups of coffee in a row, it's likely to kill you

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APRIL 2017 HOG DOG STAND VOLUNTEERS

Dan Boyle, Stretch Sawicki -
Treasurer, Greg Sieger -Director,
Linda Powell, Ken Wright, Gail
Smith and Gerry Smith =HOG



Daytona HOG Picnic April 2017

Great turn
out!

Photo by
John Reid



Membership Report—Diane DeVito

Currently we are 194 members strong!!

In an effort to keep our records up to date please email me when you update your National HOG membership or change email, address and/or phone number.

My email address is hogdd2017@gmail.com

If your name is on the meeting membership sign in sheet your local membership is current, if you are not on the list you are not current with your renewal application or dues. If you have any questions please check with me.

I was recently asked “what must I do to be a Daytona HOG member?” That’s easy.... you **must be a current member of National HOG**, fill out a local **chapter membership application** with waiver **annually** and of course **pay your dues**.



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Secretary - Bev Lawrence



St Patty's—There's been much written and discussed of our annual club dues and all the enjoyment and return we receive in exchange. Not to be overlooked and certainly of much more value are the friendships and additional activities that sprout from the single common interest of riding a Harley.

I offer my example of travel by way of a camper or RV (or as some refer to as a turtle). We've been RV'ing for many many years, much longer than riding bikes. I can tell you, the additional fun we have experienced since joining other HOG members that share the camping lifestyle has been a huge plus.

We recently upgraded ours to a full size toy hauler so we can take our bikes with us where ever we go. Another big plus

instead of one of us towing and one riding the bike. destinations or boundless. New Years in Charleston, in Savannah, maybe spring in North Carolina and New Year's in Key West.

I am grateful to our club for not only bringing such a great mix of folks together for riding Harley's but also providing the venue to make lifelong friends that share other interest as well.

I feel that I belong to the best Motorcycle Club around, not only do you learn so much information to keep you safe between learning how to ride in a group as well as the dedication that our Drill Team has on teaching us how to be a better rider, and the family atmosphere is huge.



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PARKING LOT PRACTICE with JOHN DEVITO

This past Bike Week I worked everyday at the Speedway working demo rides. No not for Harley as they bring in their own people from out of state. I worked for the other American motorcycle manufacturer. I rode around the speedway 15 to 20 times a day covering 150 miles or better. As for their motorcycles they have some interesting features, none I couldn't live with out. As for the styling all I can say is beauty is in the eye of the beholder. Me, I'm a Harley guy, when the time comes for a new bike it will more than likely be another Harley. I guess 50 wt. really does flow in my veins.

There were a great many riders that could use a few sessions of PLP. We had a few dropped bikes but no incidents (crashes). Two other manufacturers had crashes, one ran thru a fence another went straight when the road turned left. Volusia County Fire Rescue responded and took him off on a back board with a neck collar.

With Bike Week behind us PLP will return the first Sunday of each month from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Please remember to check the web site calendar for any chang-



es. If you think you need PLP then you do need PLP. If you are to nervous or self conscious to try in front of other chapter members contact one of us. Dan, Roger or me will try to find a time to work one on one with you. Yes, that's how important we feel PLP is to your safety.

Just as important to your safety as riding skills is your ability to scan ahead for potential hazards. Trailing as many demo rides as I did I observe many riders looking down in an attempt to find the brake petal or shifter when slowing in traffic. Some playing with the radio, station hunting. Not paying attention to the road is a great way to become a bumper sticker. Keep your head and eyes up.

We had 23 riders attend April's PLP, what a good turn out. There were even a few first timers trying an exercise. Now get out there and ride but as always, please ride



In My Humble Opinion

MITCH POWELL SAFETY OFFICER



A few months ago while eating lunch after a ride, a comment was made that we actually had more trikes than bikes and the length of the group seemed to be much longer. It was a friendly conversation where ideas were exchanged. First of all let me be very clear, I have no bias as to what someone is riding, envy maybe, but not bias. Personally the more members we have on a ride the better. However, are there any special considerations we should make when combining 2-wheelers & 3-wheelers in a group riding formation? To me, there are basically two main differences between the two. Trikes are wider than bikes and trikes can stop quicker than bikes. We all know that when riding a two-wheeler, we should all ride in a staggered formation 2 seconds behind the bike in front of us and one second behind the bike to our side. When two-wheelers ride in lanes #1 and #3, this gives each bike 2 lanes to maneuver around any hazard in the road and not impinge upon another rider's interval. However, if two trikes ride in a staggered formation using lanes #1 and #3, due to their increased width they would have to share the middle lane #2 and riding a two second/one second staggered interval is impossible. For a trike this would not leave the same maneuvering space around a sudden hazard without moving into the following rider's forward interval and could lead to a collision. According to the Motorcycle Safety Foundation 3-wheelers should never ride in a staggered formation. This is one of the reasons why our Road Captains ask all trikes to ride to the right along with allowing the Lead RC a better view of the Sweep RC. On that particular ride discussed earlier, all the bikes were in the front of the group and all trikes rode to the right in the back. Obviously since all the trikes in lane three were following two seconds behind the rider directly in front of them, the group size was lengthened compared to if more two-wheelers rode in lane #1 staggered with the trikes in lane #3. A two second interval behind the rider ahead of you is still possible when 2-wheelers are staggered with 3-wheelers, but if either rider in that interval must swerve to a more middle position to avoid a hazard the following rider's forward interval is shortened. In regards to braking, the three wheels of a trike have the ability to stop more quickly than a two wheel bike. If you are on a bike behind a trike you should be aware of this fact and be diligent and/or adjust your following distance. You might think this discussion is limited to our small group, but it was one of the first mentioned items in one of the HOT courses in Myrtle Beach last month. At the conclusion of the course, I didn't feel they ever suggested any definite guidelines concerning this. Therefore, in my humble opinion, let's all be more aware of the differences, use common sense, Ride Safely, Have Fun and Keep Liv'n the Dream!



Ladies of Harley

DIRECTOR
GAIL SMITH



Ladies of Harley (LOH) is a program sponsored by the Harley Owners Group to support women motorcycle enthusiasts. We currently have over 60 LOH members and on average have 20 ladies at our monthly meetings. Our next LOH Meeting is April 13th, 6:30 p.m., at Houligan's Destination Daytona. If you are new to the Daytona HOG Chapter and would like to know more about LOH, contact me at loh@daytonahog.com. Follow us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/LOHDaytona/>



CALLING ALL FEMALE RIDERS

SAVE THE DATE - MAY 6, 2017

International FEMALE RIDE DAY
JUST RIDE 6 MAY 2017

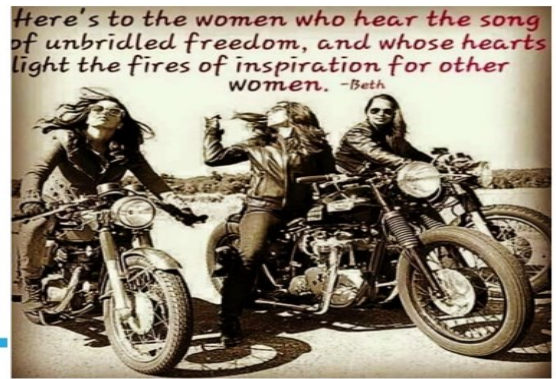
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AND MORE TBA

RSVP mrossmeyer@brhd.com OR CALL 386-671-7103



We started 2017 off with a Cruise to the Bahamas! We had 13 ladies creating a lot of noise and having a great time. Since then, we have had a couple of Movie Nights, a few LOH Meetings, Board Art, and of course our LOH Fundraiser at the Spring Picnic! Now we are ramping up for the **International Female Ride Day** on Saturday, May 6th. Bruce Rossmeier's Harley Davidson has partnered with Daytona Ladies of Harley to host the event at Destination Daytona. The event is free, starts with a pre-ride breakfast, ends with a post-ride lunch, and a ladies workshop all sponsored by BRHD!! We will also have a Camp Boggy Creek Fundraiser Bike Wash with live music at Saint's and Sinners. Hope you can join us! **Be sure to RSVP to mrossmeyer@brhd.com.**

THE VIEW FROM THE BACKSEAT" By Carolyn Gardiner

There is so much to see while on a ride, however, my amazing driver must stay focused on the road and potential hazards around us...this means it is up to me to tell him what I see around us while I still keep a watch out for crazies. I have the fun job.

So here is a compilation, in no particular order, of some of my favorites as seen from "The Backseat".

Sooo many Americans proudly flying American flags it makes my heart sing! Huge old oak trees draped in Spanish moss. It's curious to me that we rarely see pine trees smothered with Spanish moss...something about their chemistry that most doesn't care for. Lots of red clay in North Florida.

Did you know that the majority of semis are either red, white, or blue? There are the occasional orange, black or even purple, but mostly RWB. A semi with a bicycle attached to the front. Guess he needs transportation when he gets to where he is going. Another semi carrying a John Deere farm tractor with a kids tractor strapped on. I guess they are planning for the future. Love the American spirit. Big yellow school buses all line up and ready to go means hope for tomorrow.

Feeding time for the deer on the side of the road, especially when the fawns are out. Crossing Payne's Prairie toward Gainesville start looking for gators in the swamp. We usually only see the orange and blue ones. Wild flowers blooming on the sides of the highway signal hope for renewal. Springtime the pine trees are popping with crosses (as my grandpa used to say). If you look at the tops you will see the new growth which looks like crosses.

Beautiful bikes as they move down the roads, our shadow on the pavement as the sun is slowly dropping in the west. Looking out over the miles and miles of farms, we seem to be part of a living patchwork quilt in many shades of green. When driving through farm country we see an occasional sign for a produce stand here and there and one caught my attention. The sign on the road said bake sale and produce sale. It was a cute little stand in the front yard with a horse tied up to the front porch. I wondered if it belonged to the sellers or if a neighbor was doing some shopping. Another sign said "For Sale: eggs, chicks or chickens. I guess they never have any inventory to throw away. The next sign to catch my eye listed produce and honey with no attendant with instructions to take what you need and leave the money in the box. Trust in your fellow man.

Traveling through these small towns we see beautiful buildings made of stone, brick or clapboard siding. The yards are perfect and the flags are flying. Peaceful.

Saw two cows wading the watering hole. The lead cow was swishing its tail and splashing the second cow in the face with the water. The second cow kept shaking off the water and following along. What would you do in that situation?

Sunday rides are fun. In communities everyone is so dressed up and headed to church, the men in suits, the ladies in hats and the children in frills and neckties. Faith

From the tree canopied back roads to our byways and highways there is so much to see. What can you add to this road ramble?

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**Bill Schmidt at
games section
at HOG picnic**

Iowa Motorcycle



Joke submitted by
Linda Seeley

**March
PLP
group**



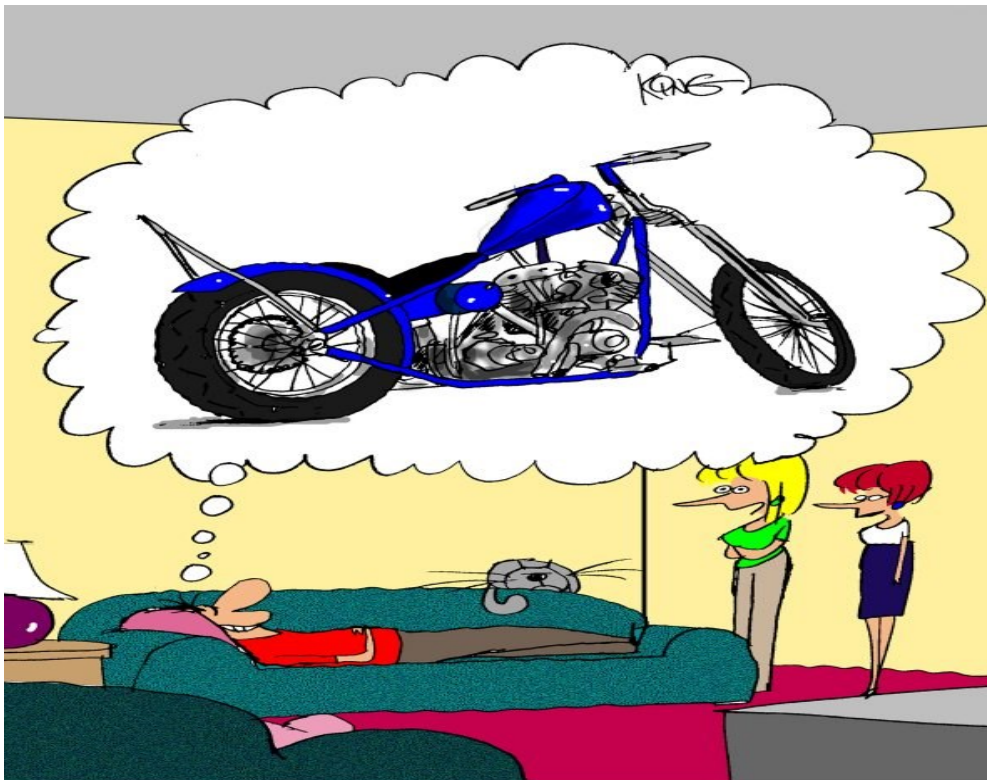
HOG Picnic
organizers -Lisa
Hopkins and Linda
Powell with Director
Greg Sieger



Helpful Hints from our Website Director Ira Strauss

If you use daytonahog.com it has the activities on the first page, although not the full details.
BUT Ira our website person suggested:

Until they fix the website, there is a trick you can do to view the calendar. Click on the regular calendar link, and then right-click on the little calendar that shows. Select "Show only this frame", and you will have the regular large calendar. I think this only works in Firefox ... Hope it helps .



"How sweet, he's smiling. He must be dreaming about me."

Joke
submitted by
Derek Toms



Volunteer Al Zibas

SUPER H.O.G.

HOG Points are earned for riding only:

1 Point = any regularly scheduled Chapter ride
2 Points = any Over-nighter

Point Rewards:

20 Points = \$25 Gift Card

50 Points = At Christmas Party, a chance to win \$100 Gift Card (3 Winners and not required to be present to win)

H.O.G. BUCK\$

HOG Bucks are earned as follows:

Take a Ride with us = \$3

If you do an Overnight Ride = \$5

Be the Lead Road Capt of the Ride = \$5

Be the Rear Road Capt of the Ride = \$3

Participate in Parking Lot Practice = \$5

Work the HOG Dog Stand = \$10

VOLUNTEER PTS

Volunteer HOG Bucks are earned as follows:

HOG Dog Stand = \$15

Camp Boggy Creek Function = \$25

Any other event = \$10

SUPER H.O.G. POINTS

(top 25)

Loving	Blanche	35
Loving	Jim	35
Powell	Mitch	31
Wright	Kenny	31
Gomes	Jerry	28
O'Malley	Tom	27
Schmidt	Bill	25
Weller	Jim	22
Remington	Don	21
Kincaid	Dave	20
Zibas	Al	20
Schmidt	Cindy	18
Johnson	Dennis	17
Trippi	Mike	17
Bogard	Jan	16
Powell	Linda	15
Remington	Cynthy	15
Sawicki	Rich	14
Burdine	Rory	12
Fulop	Dalia	12
Steele	Chuck	12
Adamson	Gavin	11
Bogard	Norm	10
Mroski	Bob	10
Reid	John	10

H.O.G. BUCKS

(top 25)

Powell	Mitch	212
Gomes	Jerry	195
Loving	Jim	175
Loving	Blanche	153
Schmidt	Bill	152
Johnson	Dennis	130
Bogard	Jan	123
Remington	Don	112
Steele	Chuck	112
Wright	Kenny	105
Schmidt	Cindy	100
Sawicki	Rich	98
O'Malley	Tom	96
Powell	Linda	94
Zibas	Al	88
Bartoli	Mark	87
Bogard	Norm	83
Kincaid	Dave	80
Murray	Gwen	80
Weller	Jim	78
Adamson	Gavin	69
Reid	John	69
Fulop	Dalia	63
Trippi	Mike	63
Sieger	Greg	60

H.O.G. VOLUNTEER RANK

(top 25)

Sawicki	Rich	95
Schmidt	Cindy	50
Smith	Gail	50
DeVito	Diane	45
Loving	Blanche	45
Loving	Jim	45
Powell	Mitch	45
Sieger	Greg	45
Gomes	Jerry	40
Morrison	Betsy	40
Nardi	Lou	40
Powell	Linda	40
Simek	Jeff	40
Ellingwod	Peter	30
Lawrence	Bev	30
Reid	John	30
Smith	Woody	30
Steele	Chuck	30
Strauss	Ira	30
Bogard	Jan	20
Bogard	Norm	20
Ellingwod	Carol	20
DeVito	John	15
Hopkins	Dan	10

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Daytona HOG calendar of events is on the website at daytonahog.com

Events that are monthly are :

PLP—usually the 1st Sunday of the month (free to members)

HOG DOG Stand - usually the 2nd Sunday of the month-

Volunteers do fantastic job! Thanks Woody Smith

Daytona HOG Monthly Meeting—usually the 3rd Sunday of the month

AS ALL Events and Rides change due to weather or other events etc—we are not printing the HOG Calendar in the newsletter.



Some of our Great Volunteers!

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Peter & Carol Ellingwood— Quartermaster

We are putting together a pre-order, pre-pay for 2017 Daytona Beach HOG tee shirts. The men's is gray and available in size small - 4 XL. The ladies is black and available in size small - 3 XL. You can order at the monthly meetings. The cost is \$25 per shirt. There is a minimum of 25 for each style before we can place the order with Norscot. We will place the order as soon as we have sold the minimum, so make sure you get your order in early! We are in hopes to order by May and they take about four weeks to produce and arrive. For our snowbirds and members that are not here to order, we are happy to offer shipping to you. Simply email us at qmaster@daytonahog.com for a shipping quote and the address of where to send your payment.



Benefits of Daytona Beach H.O.G. Chapter Membership

- Receive a \$25 H-D gift card after attending and participating in 20 Chapter sponsored rides. That's \$5 more than your yearly Chapter dues of \$20. "How do we do it?"
- Membership in the sponsoring Bruce Rossmeyer Daytona Harley-Davidson ["Riders Rewards Program"](#).
- Employment opportunity at the Bruce Rossmeyer Daytona Harley-Davidson during 'Bike Week and Biketoberfest'.
- Discounts and special offers on motorcycle services at Bruce Rossmeyer Daytona Harley-Davidson.
- A 'NEW' and improved website for www.DaytonaHOG.com and www.FacebookDaytonaHOG.
- Over 125 planned rides throughout the riding year to include: over-night rides, special event rides, weekday breakfast and lunch rides. Also, rides to local sports team venues, show events, and especially our 'Ride For Children' in support of Camp Boggy Creek.
- Motorcycle skills 'Rider training' - Parking Lot Practice (PLP) by the best in the business. *For FREE!*
- National HOG membership FREE with any new motorcycle purchase.
- Daytona Beach HOG Chapter monthly meeting at 'Houligan's Sports Grille' at Destination Daytona. Meetings are the 4th Saturday of the month (unless noted otherwise) with free beverages and morning snacks. Arrive and socialize at 9am and stay for the meeting that starts at 9:45am sharp.
- Bi-monthly HOG Call newsletters of Daytona Beach HOG Chapter happenings.
- Annual holiday Christmas party (in lieu of December meeting).
- Rides that support our sponsors in our "Ride and Have Fun book". Ask any member how it works. You'd be surprised how it 'pays to ride'.

AND there's something else: GREAT RIDES, FUN, CAMARADERIE, AND FRIENDSHIPS.
Now that's Priceless!

To be a member of Daytona Beach HOG Chapter, you must have the following:

1. Be an active National HOG member (associate, full or life member).
2. Own and ride a Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Dues are: Local Chapter membership is \$20 per year

Military discount (active duty) is \$15 per year

PLEASE NOTE: If you are not already a National HOG member, register at Members.HOG.com. Once you have a national HOG membership number, you can also become a Daytona Beach HOG Chapter member.

The Daytona Beach HOG Chapter membership form must be filled-out completely, signed by the applicant and submitted with \$20 dues (cash if in-person OR a personal check made payable to DBHOG. DO NOT MAIL CASH.

Daytona Beach HOG Chapter
c/o Membership Chairperson
P.O. Box 1441
Daytona Beach, FL 32115-1441

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Houligan's Sports Grille
At Destination Daytona
1643 North U.S. Highway 1
Ormond Beach

The 4th Saturday of each month
unless otherwise noted *

Visitors and Guests Welcome

January 28

February 25

March 25

April 22

May 20 *

June 24

July 22

August 26

September 23

October 28

November 18

No December Meeting *

Meetings begin at 9:45am

OFFICERS' MEETINGS

Is generally the second
Tuesday of each month

January 10

February 13

March 8

April 10

May 9

June 13

July 11

August 8

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 12



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