

HOG Meeting Minutes 2/17/19

Submitted by Kristine Wilson

Chapter 3424 Secretary

The meeting came to order at 10:00 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Members and Guests – We welcomed three new members and 4 ‘repeat’ members!

We also welcomed Don from Groton Cycle Center who told us about the different motorcycle courses they offer, basic through experienced. They are offering to give our HOG group a class together; 12 people are allowed on the range at a time. You are allowed to use your own bike. Passengers are encouraged to attend to learn their role when riding. If we are interested, they will make a special day at a special price for our group. He recommends planning the course for mid-May to rebuild confidence and skills at the beginning of riding season.

Health and Welfare – Brad was under the weather and couldn’t make the meeting.

Dealership – No dealership representative this month.

Treasurer’s Report – Joanne Piston told us that we have approximately \$3200 in the bank.

Membership – Mike Piston was unable to attend the meeting. If your name isn’t on the sign in sheet or we don’t have your 2019 information yet, please email him. There is also a column on the sign in sheet for your mileage.

Head Road Captain/Safety – John talked about the ride meeting after the regular meeting. He also thanked Don for coming; he set that up.

Activities – Anne Marie told us that the St. Patrick’s Day parade is Saturday, March 16th. We are signed up but don’t know where we will be in the order. More info to come! She also sent around information on attending a Syracuse Mets baseball game to get opinions about seats and menus.

Ladies of Harley – Terry Lynn asked us to continue to collect sundries and other items for our vets! Hopefully we will be riding soon!

Community Service – Karen talked about bringing in canned goods...hunger knows no season! TELOC is April 27th in the evening, which is always a good time. More information to come.

Editor – Christine mentioned that if anyone has anything to add to the newsletter, let her know!

Photographer – Brad wasn’t at the meeting.

Webmaster – This is Jason’s one year anniversary as webmaster! He can’t thank Rob and Kevin enough for their patience and support over the last year. He placed sticky notes on the tables with information on text alerts for HOG: text HOG3424 to 844-83. Weather changes and cancelled rides will be on the text alerts. You can also sign up for email blasts at syracusehog.com. Jason can also sync the calendar on your iPhone with the HOG calendar. He also added that if you’re apprehensive about leading a ride to please try it- he did it last year and loved it!

Assistant Director – We welcomed Dwayne as our new Assistant Director. He appreciates the opportunity to fill Steve’s shoes. He mentioned that it would be really nice to have a lot of new leaders for rides this year!

Historian – Not at the meeting.

Old Business – Kevin thanked everyone that came to the Annual Dinner and everyone who helped get ready for the event. We are already looking into future event venues, including the picnic- so if you have any suggestions, please email Kevin or Ann Marie before the next meeting!

New Business – From last month - 2019 will be the last Rolling Thunder. Book your hotels now if you want to go! Vermont will host a Rally the 3rd week in July. The 2nd week in August there will be a Rally in Ellicottville, NY! That one is around 200 miles; Jason volunteered to lead or co-lead a ride to the rally!

T-Shirt Bingo – Rhode Island was chosen with no winner. The winner next month will take home \$20!

Pig Pot – Total was \$121.00. One lucky winner took home \$61.00.

Motion to adjourn made at 10:43.

Ride meeting to follow!