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The High Road

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Director's Report

Kevin Reney



I would like to remind everyone that there will be no meeting this month. John has decided to keep the ride going out that day, so thank you.

Please pay attention to the Facebook page and our website for up-to-date information on all our upcoming activities as there are quite a few. Kevin

Meeting Minutes Kristine Wilson

Chapter 3424 Secretary



HOG Meeting Minutes 4/15/18

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

New Members and Guests – We welcomed five new members and one guest this month!

Health and Welfare – Nothing new, all seems well!

HOG Manager – Brian Sedlack commented that it was great to see new faces! He talked about the Freedom of Expression event that occurred that Thursday evening. At the request of John Kresse, they held a headlight alignment demo and a product seminar.

Last month there was a clothing question and Brian wants us to know that the apparel department can order clothes at any time. If we

want Syracuse HOG stuff, they will have an order form and 2018 catalogs.

He talked about Ride 365. Please come to the dealership to get registered and give your mileage for the season. April 28th is the bike blessing.

April is National Check your Helmet month. There is an email with 15% off any helmets in stock. DOT recommends to replace helmets every 3-5 years or if you drop it. John Kresse suggested to disassemble your helmet so it can't be reused.

Dealership – Bruno expanded on Brian's talk and reminded us that PHD is invested in HOG as much as HOG is invested in PHD. They want to increase our relationship.

Treasurer's Report – Joanne Piston told us that there was very little activity this month and that we have about \$2000 in the bank.

Membership – Mike Piston reminded us to sign in at meetings. We have 70 members for the year so far. We have membership forms at PHD next to the service desk. He can also email an electronic copy if anyone needs it.

Head Road Captain/Safety – John Kresse is going to look into getting HOG signs for parades. He also put the map creation on Facebook and is going to connect it to the PHD gpx file (a Garmin route). His article this month is about headlights.

One of our new members, Ed, is riding to Colorado on July 21st. If anyone is interested in going, please email him at ed.walrath@yahoo.com. Everyone is welcome to lead rides!

Activities – Anne Marie Camardella had to cancel the bowling because of lack of interest. If you are able to help with the Bike Blessing please let her know.

Ladies of Harley – International Female Ride Day is May 5th. Terry Lynn is going to lead a ride that day but the men are also welcome. Please continue to remember our vets with donations. They are in need of new sweatshirts, sweatpants, games, crafts and books, as well as sundries.

Community Service – TELOC is Saturday, April 21st from 8-11pm. Come between 7-7:30 for food and a 15 minute training. We have volunteers, but can always use more! Please continue to bring in canned goods...we have a bin in the conference room for them.

Editor – Christine Lanfair told us that if we have anything for the newsletter to please email her.

Photographer – Please take pictures as Karen won't be able to attend evening rides.

Historian – Jim Lanfair wasn't at the meeting.

Webmaster – As of May 1st, there will be a new password for the website. It will be emailed by Jason. The Google calendar is done with 90 rides and events scheduled! Jason told us that a lot of the Tuesday and Thursday rides are still TBA – please reach out to Kevin, John or Jason to update the calendar. He will send out a blast if there are changes to the calendar. There are also links to food asked that we make sure to skim through entire emails from HOG because sometimes attachments from the same day are put together (not on purpose.)

Our Facebook site is now public so PHD can share our posts. We have admins that approve posts. You are allowed to post anything motorcycle related as long as you're not trying to sell something.

Our website is still private. If you need the password to the website, ask Kevin. There is also a google calendar on the website with everything

listed to mix with your own personal calendar. He has also included links to food and destinations for the rides on the calendar!

Assistant Director – Steve is going to lead a ride to Maine for the Iron Adventure this summer. He sent around a signup sheet and has already reserved a few rooms if you are interested. He also sent around a signup sheet for a museum visit in Wisconsin (400 mile ride). Steve talked about his newsletter article.

Director – Kevin told us that the bylaws were done in 1990/1991 so we are updating them. Officers will be looking through a rough draft to take out irrelevant information and change the date. We will have a final draft at the next meeting. We follow the national bylaws but need something on record for banking and changeover of officers.

The Twin Tiers Honor Flight ride doesn't conflict with our ride schedule. Kevin got a flyer and he will post it. He is also planning on going to the Fingerlakes HOG meeting next weekend. John Snyder explained what an Honor Flight is for those that didn't know.

We have a new welcome packet for new members. We will start having the meeting minutes put out within a week of the meeting so the information is still current (sorry about this month!).

We had a successful meet and greet at the Blarney Stone. We are trying to make our meet and greets more standardized with the same day and time each week to help us remember.

Next month's meeting is cancelled but PHD is still open at 11.

Old Business – None

New Business – John Snyder reminded the group that our rides are closed but we will accept guests (including PHD employees). They can sign a waiver and don't need to ride a Harley.

The rules for HOG insurance states that if someone drinks alcohol on a ride, that event ends their ride with the group. The new rule through National states that the ride can be the whole trip (not just to the destination) unless they drink alcohol, then they are on their own.

Dave Ferguson announced that he will pick up flags for the Watchfire at PHD.

T-Shirt Bingo – Wisconsin was chosen. The lucky winner took home \$30!

Pig Pot – Total was \$94.00. One lucky winner took home \$47.00.

Assistant Director

Steve Knowles



Get your miles Logged in !!!

Have your season's starting odometer reading verified at the dealership, ASAP!



Here's what you need to know... The old paper mileage form has been replaced with the new RIDE 365 program. Yes, the old paper form is gone, but the program got a whole lot better! So, whether it's an afternoon get-a-way or a journey of a lifetime, every ride you take brings us closer together. Keep track of your lifetime mileage, because every mile counts.

The new Ride 365 program includes:

- Annual Chapter rides This is a H.O.G. challenge contest between chapters where the chapter with the highest total miles and the highest average mileage will be victorious. That means Party, Plaques and Patches from H.O.G.!
- Individual Annual Recognition which rewards members throughout the year for meeting various milestones and all miles contribute to your
- Lifetime miles!

THERE IS NO MAY MEETING - JUST A RIDE!!!!

Motion to adjourn was made at 10:52.

If you've seen our 2018 ride calendar, you know there are thousands of miles built into our ride season! **PLEASE see the service department or see Bruno to have your odometer readings logged into the HOG mileage program.**

DO IT NOW ...AND... DO IT OFTEN!

Make sure you are enrolled cause we're serious about riding...
LET'S RIDE!

Iron Adventure Rally (IAR)

Rally dates are August 2 thru August 4th
Located in Sunday River, Newry, Maine

Update from the IAR coordinators...

Shuttles are being planned for off-site transportation to Rally Headquarters.

Yes... a Demo Truck is in the plans.

Yes... Plans include entertainment nightly.

Yes... Plans include Coffee and water available at hotels and rally headquarters

Yes... Rooms are still available Fri & Sat at the Grand Summit and Jordan Hotel.

21 Chapters have registered with 572 participants thus far!

Syracuse HOG chapter has 12 folks interested in going!

Go to members.hog.com to register, it's only \$35 to play!

IAR Planners are stacking up CHAPTER CHALLENGES and they're getting serious!

We've already earned 5 points just for registering. The more our Chapter is involved with the Rally, the more Chapter Challenge points we will acquire – Our dealer participation earns us another 25 pts! Plus bringing our Chapter Flag get us even more points and any volunteering gets us

more!

Just prior to Closing Ceremonies there will be a Parade of Flags. Each chapter will receive a streamer and pole to display on a bike to represent their Chapter.

IAR Planners meet again Saturday May 12, so please let me know if you have any questions for the planners that I could forward them.

Write to astdirector@syracusehog.com or text me at 315-456-9473



**ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER
John Kresse**

**Membership Report
Mike Piston**



Hi everyone !!! This year to date we have 76 members that have signed up. Let's remind our family, friends, and those we meet to join HOG. There is an open house at PHD on Saturday May 19th is a great day to renew your membership or join HOG. Let's all ride and have fun !!!!

If you haven't provided your birth month and would like to be recognized in the monthly newsletter you can send me the information through email; membership@syracusehog.com.

May Rides

- May 17 – Meet & Greet, PHD 6 PM – TBD
- May 19 – PHD Open House/Orientation Ride 10 am
- May 20 – Borio's Brunch – 10 a.m.
- May 22 – Open HOG ride #5 PHD 6 pm
- May 24 – Meet &Greet, PHD 6 pm
- May 27 – Watchfire Fire, PHD, 6 pm
- May 31 – Meet & Greet, PHD 6 pm TBD

Also, if you would like to be in the running for 2018 mileage awards you can send in your 2018 starting mileage through email or on the monthly meeting sign in sheet.

Just a reminder, the local membership to Syracuse HOG is for the calendar year; your National HOG membership may cover a different time period. Your local membership to Syracuse HOG requires an active National HOG membership.

Happy HOG Birthday!!

May

Kirk Wilson
Joel Soccio
Kevin Rency

Terry Lynn Clark
Patrick Cavanaugh
Bill Czelusniak

Victory For Vets Inc 5th Anniversary Music Fest

We are THRILLED to announce the details for our 5th Anniversary Victory For Vets Music Fest!!!

Saturday August 11th Sharkey's Sports Bar in Liverpool from noon - 9:30

Featuring.....

The TJ Sacco Band w/Briana Jesse

Victory For Vets 3rd Annual Motorcycle Ride In

Opening Ceremony w/ National Anthem performed by Briana Jesse

Hard Promises

The Country Legends Tribute Tour - North Americas #1 Country Music Tribute show featuring the music of the biggest names on the American scene including Toby Keith, The Zac Brown Band and Keith Urban. Each singer will perform a string of hits from the featured artist complete with authentic costume changes. There will be a grand finale with all three artists.

Tickets will be available soon for JUST \$20 General Admission!! Active Duty/Veteran just \$15 with Military ID, kids under 12 free with paid adult ticket.

New this year!! With your paid pre-sale ticket, you will receive a raffle ticket to win some fabulous prizes the day of the event!! Do not need to be present to win and raffle tickets will be available for sale that day.

As always, there will be 50/50 raffles, basket raffles, silent auctions and MORE!! Mark your calendar now and plan on joining us on August 11th at Sharkey's for Victory For Vets 5th Anniversary Music Fest!!

Where else can you go 9 hours of incredible music and fun for just \$20! Don't miss THE event of the summer - and help support our local Veterans who deserve so much!!

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