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The High Road

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Director's Report

Kevin Reney



For those of you that didn't make it to the Open House, you missed some fun times for sure. Saving Face was there doing haircuts, and beard trims.

Vestal Tattoo was there with some cool tattoos.

TisMart had some awesome cigars, and the GEM supplied the food.

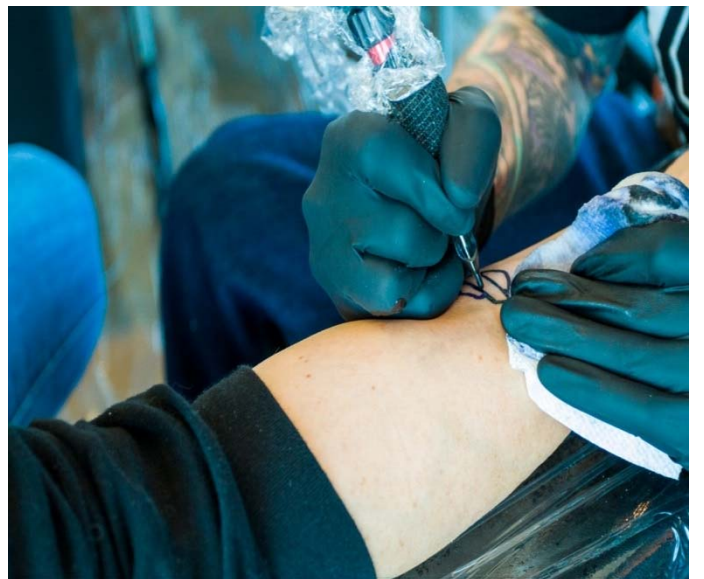
Let's not forget the girls that came out for the Pin Up contest.

This was one of the most entertaining, and different events they have held.

With that being said, I want to thank everyone of you that has come out to support the events they have hosted. Without you guys, the club wouldn't be what it is.

HOG Dog Saturdays seem to have been a success as well, and our club has made some good tips from these events. That will definitely help our club with the costs of the Picnic and the Annual Dinners.

So once again..... Thank you for all you do. REMEMBER that the Ontario HOG is also coming to town. They will be here July 5-7.



Meeting Minutes

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 one new member and one guest!

Health and Welfare – Nothing new.

Dealership – Next month Brad will bring his Ipad and record everyone's mileage for Ride 365. If you get your bike serviced you will need to mention that you want your mileage updated.

Treasurer's Report – Joanne was unable to make the meeting.

Membership – Mike was unable to attend the meeting.

Head Road Captain/Safety – John told us that he is still trying to work out the motorcycle course in Groton; they keep playing phone tag. We need 10-12 riders to participate. \$100 club price, \$125 non-club price.

Activities – Anne Marie told us that the HOG night for the Syracuse Mets is July 26th and will cost \$25 per person. This includes all-you-can-eat hot dogs/hamburgers/ etc. for 1 ½ hours. We will watch the game from the terrace and need 15-35 people to go. She will post the event on Facebook for those interested and check on parking options.

We also talked about the picnic on September 15th and voted to have it at PHD (free venue!) and now we need to look at catering options.

For the Annual Dinner (January 18th, 2020), Drumlins would love to have us back. It would be the same menu and price as last year- with the same people that were at Justin's Tuscan Grill this year! We are also penciled in for Barbagallo's, where the price is lower.

Ladies of Harley – Terry Lynn was unable to be at the meeting but asked us to continue to collect sundries and other items for our vets!

Community Service – Karen was unable to be at the meeting, but please continue to bring in canned goods!

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

Photographer – Brad is looking into an Instagram account for HOG pictures. Any interest?

Webmaster – Jason was unable to be at the meeting.

Assistant Director – Dwayne asked if anyone was interested in a gold tournament between our HOG group and the Fingerlakes chapter. Details can be worked out if there is interest.

Historian – Mike was not at the meeting.

Old Business – If you're still interested in ordering a HOG nametag, please let Kevin know.

New Business – None

T-Shirt Bingo – North Carolina was chosen with two winners! Each winner took home \$5.

Pig Pot – Total was \$105.00. One lucky winner took home \$53.00.

Motion to adjourn made at 10:41.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Mike Piston



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**Braking Method
Determined By Speed**

By: James R. Davis

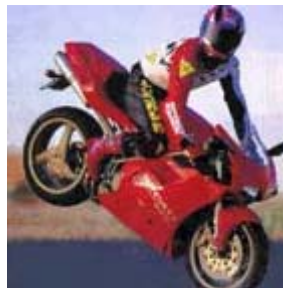
Welcome to June 2019, we have 92 members that have joined or renewed memberships for 2019. Last year we had 123 members; so let's remind our family, friends, and those we meet to join HOG and look forward to a great 2019. Let's all ride and have fun !

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. Also, if you would like to be in the running for 2019 mileage awards you can send in your 2019 starting mileage/ending 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!!

We have all heard that 'up to 70% of your stopping power comes from the front brake.' Not desiring to start another war, but it is my opinion that this is historic information - up to 100% of your stopping power comes from your front brake now!



With today's modern brakes and tire compounds it is entirely possible, with speed and good road surfaces, to get so much stopping power with the front brake that you can break your rear wheel entirely off the ground (known as a 'stoppie'), at least with most sportbikes. [This is not good.] But raising the rear wheel off the ground at high speeds is not the typical problem with over-applying your front brake - it is locking the front wheel and dumping the bike at slow speeds. [You can either do a stoppie or your front wheel will skid, not both and not by choice. It's primarily a matter of how high the Center of Gravity is as compared to the length of the wheelbase.]

So? Well, traditional training argues that for most effective braking you should try to obtain about 75% of your stopping from the front and 25% from the rear if the road is dry, and 50% from the front and 50% from the rear if the road is wet. This might no longer be the best advice because speed is not being considered.

That is, in my opinion, the advice should better focus on what you should do at various speeds. For example, if you are moving at less than about 20 MPH, regardless of the condition of the road surface, virtually all of your stopping can be derived from the rear brake, and if the road surface demands it (slippery, grass, loose gravel, etc.) exclusively. [I **advocate using BOTH brakes virtually every time** - I am here only arguing that you can rely on the rear brake for most of your stopping at slow speeds - not that you should only use your rear brake.] The slower you go, the more likely your front brakes will grab - thus, you should not be trying to get 75%, or more, of your stopping power from the front brake at slow speeds. (We have already talked about how fast a bike goes down if the front brake locks.)

When moving faster than 20 MPH then traditional advice (75%/25% or 50%/50%) applies depending on road surface condition, paying particular attention to NEVER applying brakes so quickly that you lock either of them, and that during hard braking you should tend to ease up on the rear brake as weight shifts towards the front wheel.

The next Tip argues this far more clearly, and suggests 75%/25% should now be more like 85%/15%. More

importantly, it describes 'Taper Braking' as a method to be used at all times. I fully endorse that thinking.

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(James R. Davis is a recognized expert witness in the fields of Motorcycle Safety/Dynamics.)

As always...

Be safe in everything.

HRC and Safety Officer

John K.

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR
Anne Marie Christopher**



We have a Syracuse Mets game scheduled for 7/26. The cost is \$25 per person and includes:

Tickets for the game, hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, pasta salad and watermelon. There is a \$5 parking charge. There is also going to be fireworks after the game. Payment can be made at the meeting or mail to Performance Harley Davidson, ATTN.: HOG

I have menus for the picnic that I'll be passing around. Also, menus for the Annual Dinner from Barbagallos and Drumlins.

This has been such a yucky spring, let's hope summer is finally here to stay!

Anne Marie Christopher

Activities Officer

TEASURER'S REPORT

Joanne Piston



May's finance activity included meeting income and expenses and we received a few new members. There was also some event tip income.

The cash balance at the end of the month was \$3,569.21.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about the club's finances, please contact me at treasurer@syracusehog.com.

LADIES OF HARLEY

Terry Lynn Clark



Hi all,

Riding season is here AND so is the rain. Still riding to work but heck, can't it stop? The streams, rivers and lakes are overflowing...

I found this article interesting. I am a ride it out girl, maybe I shall change my thinking.

There is a myth that being in/on a vehicle with rubber tires somehow insulates the occupants from lightning. Cars and trucks provide occupants some protection from lightning strikes, but that is because the electrical current travels across the exterior metal skin of the vehicle and into the ground, not because the tires offer protection.

Occupants are in contact with the fabric and plastic parts of the vehicle, so they are insulated from the exterior unless they're touching metal parts, such as the ignition switch, shift knobs or door handles.

Vehicles not fully enclosed by metal, including convertibles and motorcycles, are dangerous to operate in conditions where lightning is likely to occur.

If lightning strikes an open-top vehicle, the electrical current can connect directly with its occupants, especially if the occupants' heads extend above the top of the vehicle. It's rare, but it does happen: two motorcyclists in Colorado were struck and killed by lightning bolts in the past 16 years.

If you're riding and see lightning, find an underpass or parking structure where you can wait out the storm. Don't park under a tree. Trees attract lightning, due to their height and moisture content and can transmit the charge to you, and branches can be split by lightning and fall on you. If you can't find shelter, make a U-turn and ride away from the storm.

And if you haven't started your ride and are aware of an approaching thunderstorm, delay your ride until at least 30 minutes after the storm has passed and you've heard the last round of thunder.

Source: National Weather Service

Hope you get some riding in.

In the wind,

Terry Lynn Clark

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Karen Whedon



The **Canned Food** drive for the **CNY Food Bank** will continue during the summer. Try to remember to bring a canned good or two to the meetings and any time

you might be at Performance Harley Davidson. Hunger knows no season.



Also we will continue collecting clothing and sundries donations for the **Syracuse Veterans Hospital** all during the year.

Thank you everyone

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