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The High Road

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Director's Report

Kevin Reney



The Picnic was a huge success for those that came to enjoy the day. We had some wonderful prizes donated by Performance and their support is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Ann Marie for picking the prizes out and dedicating so much time to making sure this went well. I know she didn't do this all by herself, so thank you to all that came and helped out as well.

You guys and gals make this club what it is And that's FUN.

So again, thank you for all you do.

Hopefully we can squeeze a few more things in before the Annual Meeting as well.

Kevin

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 John Katko as a guest this month; he became a member at the meeting!

Health and Welfare – Cindy Lancette's dad, Bill Schwald, passed away. Paul Allen passed away after the meeting.

Dealership – Brian attended the meeting and told us that Brad will be taking a step back for a while to help his father, who was diagnosed with dementia. He also thanked all of the volunteers for their help, as well as John Kresse for leading the dealership ride. He talked about winter storage for your bikes- there is an early bird sign up to get a \$50 discount which ends September 29th. This coming Saturday, September 28th is the PHD Open House. In October, PHD will offer a tire and oil sale, and November and December will be the off season accessories program.

Assistant Director – Dwayne talked about the upcoming ride to the Grand Canyon in PA on September 27th. It's a 3 hour ride, KSU at 5pm. Let him know if you're interested. He's not sure where the group will be staying.

Treasurer's Report – Joanne told us that we have approximately \$3500 in the bank. We will be spending some on the picnic after the meeting.

Membership – Mike told us that we have 106 current members. If he doesn't have your birthday or mileage, please email him to make sure everything is updated. Make sure that your name is on the sign-in sheet.

Head Road Captain/Safety – John talked about his article in the newsletter and about the ride after the meeting and before the picnic.

Activities – The picnic is today! The annual dinner will be at Barbragallo.

Ladies of Harley – Please continue to save your beauty products and sundries for our vets, as well as recreational items such as games and puzzles.

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 wasn't at the meeting; please send pictures to Kevin and/or Jason.

Webmaster – Jason changed the photos in the dealership, so make sure to check them out! He reminded us about text alerts and Google calendar- if you need connected, please see him!

Historian – Mike was unable to be at the meeting.

Old Business – John Kresse thanked everyone that went to Ellicottville.

New Business – Talked about bike night options this late in the season.

T-Shirt Bingo – South Dakota was chosen with two winners. Each winner took home \$20.

Pig Pot – Total was \$136.00. One lucky winner took home \$68.00.

Motion to adjourn made at 10:38.

Ride to follow before picnic!

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Dwayne Scott



The PA ride down to the Grand Canyon was a complete success! Great views, great roads and some fantastic food and beverages! John Bock was the only other HOG that joined us. He told me it was one of the best rides he's ever been on. WE clocked just over 400 miles and the only rain we saw was Saturday night after we had parked for the night.

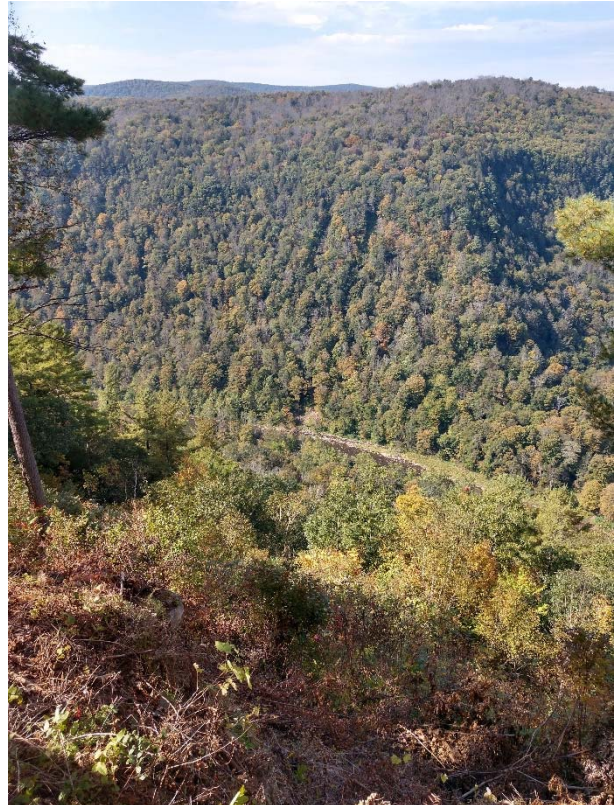
So much to see and do in that area, impossible to see it all in a couple of days. More planning will be done for

next year. Might have to make it a longer stay. Hope you are all getting your fall color rides in... the season is coming to a close.

I'll be doing a Lake Placid run soon. Let me know if there is any interesting in riding along.

Ride safe everyone!

Dwayne





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!!

October

Mary Bell
Ron Lundgren
Paula Beard

Carmen Rinaldo
Joseph Swierk

November

Ray Liepke
John Katko

Jim Allen
Joanne Piston

ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER
John Kresse

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Mike Piston



Welcome to October 2019, we have 108 members that have joined or renewed memberships for 2019. Last year we had 123 members; let's remind our family, friends, and those we meet to join HOG and have a great remainder of 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



Rear Tire 'Chirps' When Hard Braking Or Downshifting
Normal - and NOT the real problem

By: James R. Davis

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Following is a quote from an experienced rider who believes that he might be able to eliminate a problem he is having with his rear tire when he hard brakes by replacing that tire with a larger one.

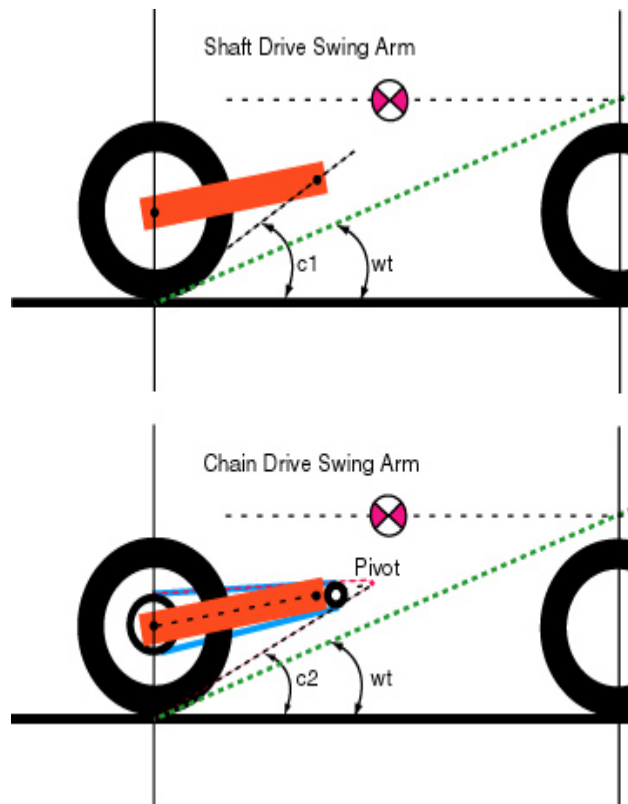
quote:

... My rear wheel tends to skid and squall rather easily when I am in a hard stopping situation, but it stops straight and doesn't cause any problem. The extra rear tire width has got to help with this.

Though it will help to have a larger (mass-wise) tire on the rear to minimize the 'skid and squall' he mentioned, it will not eliminate that problem because it is not the source of the problem.

I thought you might like to understand what is actually happening to cause it.

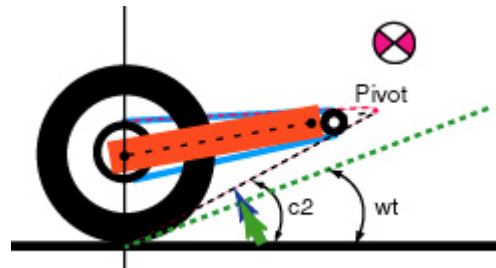
When you accelerate your scoot the back-end RISES, not falls. This is true for virtually any bike. It is the result of the location of the pivot point defined by the intersection of the lines defined by your swing arm and the top of your chain (belt). If you draw a new line from the rear contact patch to that point you will have defined the 'chain angle' of your bike. This is shown as 'c2' in the drawing below.



'wt' is the weight transfer angle for the bike (which is merely the height of your CG divided by your

wheelbase). You will note that the chain angle is larger than the weight transfer angle. Thus, when you accelerate you will **decompress** your rear suspension and the reverse is equally true, when you brake you will **compress** the rear suspension.

Now, because the mass of the motorcycle body is so much larger than the mass of the rear wheel, when you brake hard with the rear brake, the wheel will be lifted instead of the bike squatting onto it. That reduces traction and the result, 'chirping' of the tire or, as he said, skidding and squalling.



The diagram above shows the forces involved that account for this behavior. The blue arrow is the vectored braking force that removes weight from the rear wheel while the green arrow is the vectored braking force that removes weight from the rear-end of the motorcycle as a result of weight transfer. Note that the rear wheel has lost more weight than has the rear-end - in other words, it will RISE farther than will the rear-end and compress the rear suspension as a result.

Unless he adds a substantially larger tire (mass wise) he cannot overcome the tendency of the rear tire to be pulled up off the ground by the rear suspension during hard braking using the rear brake.

Now, the real issue is 'hard braking using the rear brake', not that the rear tire chirps when doing so. IT IS NEVER, EVER - NOT ONCE IN YOUR LIFETIME - APPROPRIATE TO AGGRESSIVELY USE YOUR REAR BRAKE. The dynamics of your motorcycle make it foolish to do so as that immediately limits the amount of braking you can do (leaving a great deal of stopping power unusable) because of lost traction. Worse, of course, it leads to YAW of the rear-end and that, in turn, leads to high-sides.

If you use the engine to slow you down the pivot point I mentioned earlier is defined by the intersection of the swing arm with the BOTTOM of the chain instead of its top, but the result is the same, though diminished in magnitude. But if you are paying attention it explains why it is so easy to skid your rear tire if you downshift and release the clutch too quickly or have a significant mismatch in engine speed and tire rotation speed.

I add this tip because it is my opinion that the rear brake is the most dangerous control you have on a motorcycle and thinking that you can make it work better by increasing the size of the rear tire is simply asking for trouble if you don't change your braking methods.

Ride safe all,

John K. HRC and safety Officer.

Be safe in everything,

HRC and Safety Officer
John K

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR
Anne Marie Christopher**



I want to thank everyone that participated in the End of Summer Picnic. I hope everyone had a good time and enjoyed the food. Also thank you to everyone who helped with setting up and cleaning up. I appreciate everything you all did. A big thank you to Brian Sedlack for letting us have the event here, giving us access to the building and for donating the door prizes. It's all of you that help make this a great club to be a part of. Our Annual Dinner is the next event on January 18, 2020. More details will be announced soon!

Thank you again!!

Anne Marie Christopher
Activities Officer



TEASURER'S REPORT

Joanne Piston



Our September 15 picnic was a great success! Our income from both tickets and the raffles made enough money that the event cost the club only \$460.

The cash balance at the end of the month was \$3,439.79.

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



Hello everyone,

The weather is turning cooler now. I have a chart that was given to me about air temps and wind chill. It's a good resource.

Enjoy the fall riding while you can...

Air Temperature (degrees F)

30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
27	32	37	43	48	53	58	64	69	74	79	85	90	95	100
16	22	28	34	40	47	53	59	65	71	77	84	90	96	102
9	15	22	29	36	42	49	56	63	69	76	83	90	96	103
4	11	18	25	32	39	47	54	61	68	75	82	89	97	104
0	8	15	22	30	37	45	52	60	67	74	82	89	97	104
-3	5	13	20	28	36	43	51	59	66	74	82	89	97	105
-5	3	11	19	27	35	42	50	58	66	74	81	89	97	105
-6	2	10	18	26	34	42	50	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
-8	0	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
-8	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
-9	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105

In the Wind,
Terry Lynn

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.



We will continue collecting clothing and sundries donations for the Syracuse Veterans Hospital all during the year. New Items only please.



I am planning on having the **Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringing** at Performance Harley Davidson again this year so please keep this coming event in your planning calendar.

I need to confirm time and dates with Brian but will let everyone know as soon as possible.

Thank you everyone

Karen Whedon

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