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The High Road

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Director's Report

Kevin Reney



We are slowly creeping up on the end of the riding season for the most of us. Please remember to turn your ending miles in to Mike for the awards during the annual dinner.

If you are registered for the Lifetime HOG miles, and/or HOG 365, please make sure you have Performance log your miles into the system so you will get credit. If you are doing the HOG 365 please check to see if you have our chapter listed when you log in to HOG and that your miles are there. If they are not there, please let me know, or stop into the dealer so they can take a look. You will need to have your National HOG number with you. These miles are counted separately from your club miles with Mike.

Here's to another fun year filled with many memories, and miles.

If you are interested in being involved in the club as an Officer next year, or any year after that, let me know. We can let you work with an Officer in the position you may be interested in so you can see what's involved if you would like.

Thank you for making this club what it is.

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 – No new members or guests this month.

Health and Welfare – Paul Allen passed away; we send our condolences.

Dealership – Brian wasn't at the meeting; no dealership report.

Director – Kevin thanked everyone that helped with the picnic. Barb is doing another Paint and Sip at PHD on November 9th at 10am. You will have to register through PHD. She showed a sample painting of a pumpkin as an example. The price hasn't been set; please check the PHD website.

Assistant Director – Dwayne talked about the PA ride; one HOG member joined and it was a great ride. Unfortunately the season is coming to a close!

Treasurer's Report – Joanne told us that we have money in the bank and are looking towards the annual dinner.

Membership – Mike told us that we have 108 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. For your new membership forms, the application can't be

dated before the start of the new year to be in place for coverage.

Head Road Captain/Safety – John talked about his article in the newsletter.

Activities – Anne Marie thanked everyone for helping make the picnic a success. We had 50 people, and Limp Lizard was good. Our annual dinner will be a buffet at Barbagallo's on January 18th.

Ladies of Harley – Terry Lynn read us a thank you letter from the VA. Please continue to save your beauty products and sundries for our vets, as well as recreational items such as games and puzzles. We have also been asked to include flip flops and craft items.

Community Service – Karen talked about the Red Kettle bell ringing that we participate in at PHD on Black Friday, although she hasn't verified with Brian yet. Please continue to bring in canned goods, extra Christmas cards and prepaid phone cards! Karen will also be doing the photography, so send pictures to her.

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

Photographer – Brad is no longer working at PHD. Please send pictures to Karen, Kevin and/or Jason.

Webmaster – Jason talked about Ride 365. It is currently in effect and will remain so in 2020.

We can individual and chapter credit for mileage. Make sure to get a first reading- that gets you into the program. When you report your final mileage you will be fully registered. Our chapter only has one person listed. Every time you get your bike serviced at PHD they are supposed to log your mileage into 365 for you.

Historian – Jim has taken over the historian position.

Old Business – No old business.

New Business – Bob is in the early stages of planning the NYC trip for this summer. NYC police officers are being hard on motorcycles right now. If you are planning on going to Legends and Lore at the end of June, book your hotel soon. There aren't many places left to stay.

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

Pig Pot – Total was \$114.00. One lucky winner took home \$57.00.

Motion to adjourn made at 10:36.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Dwayne Scott



I just want to say thank you to all our hog members that are veterans.

And to all our past and present serving in our armed forces for our freedom!

Don't forget to turn in your year ending mileage. It was another great year of riding and hanging out with some cool people!

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Dayne

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Mike Piston



Welcome to November 2019, we have 108 members that have joined or renewed memberships for 2019. We have 13 members who have pre-registered for 2020; let's remind our family, friends, and those we meet to

join HOG and have a great remainder of 2019. Hope to see everyone at the annual dinner in January!

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 local HOG club 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!!

November

Ray Liepke Jim Allen
John Katko Joanne Piston

December

Barb Snyder Jeff Mocyk
Dana Baker John Sullivan
Bob Henry Dave Ferguson
Cindy Lancette Jim Lanfair
Howard "Tyke" Beard Pete Dolan

ROAD CAPTAIN/SAFETY OFFICER

John Kresse



Locked Brakes

Sometimes (rarely) this is the fastest way to stop

By: James R. Davis
(Used with permission)

The coefficient of friction is greatest for our tires at the point just prior to a slide, and it decreases by 20-30% as soon as you start sliding. This, in part, because a sliding tire generates so much heat at the contact patch that the rubber there begins to liquefy. [Actually, dynamic coefficient of friction is always lower than static coefficient of friction.] (Curiously, it turns out that asphalt actually melts as well and your skidding tire cuts a trench in it as a result.)

Clearly, then, in order to make the fastest stop possible you want to use enough brake to 'almost' make the tires slide. You do not want to ever 'lock' your brakes, then, right?

Well, this is true in almost all cases. True enough, at least, that it is held to be gospel in almost every discussion of stopping a motorcycle that I have ever participated in. But there are times when you can stop faster if you lock those brakes.

Before getting into the details about this let me make a few points that should be obvious: If you lock your front brake you lose ALL steering control.

If you lock your rear brake you lose stability for about 80% of your motorcycle.

If you can stop fast enough without locking your brakes you should do so.

The odds of dumping your bike are many times greater if you lock your brakes (either of them) than if you do not.

Stopping performance is a function of your brakes, your tires, and the ROAD SURFACE. So, when does locking one or more of your brakes make sense? ONLY if you must stop as quickly as possible to avoid a major accident and the road surface is not firm! That is, in order to avoid serious injury when riding on snow, loose gravel, or sand! Further, ONLY IF YOU ARE driving in a straight line!!!

It should be obvious that because the odds of dumping your bike goes way up whenever you lock a wheel, you

would almost always want to use a more gentle touch on your brakes - indeed, in any situation that does not call for fastest stop possible.

When you stop the rotation of your tire in a soft surface environment (like snow, sand or loose gravel), that wheel will not merely ride over the surface. It will plow through the material and in so doing it creates a 'dam' of the material in front of itself. This 'dam' grows and provides rather a substantial, and growing, amount of resistance that is a greater (by far) stopping force than whatever traction your rotating tire could provide by rolling over the material.

Since you will lose all steering control if your front brake is locked, you must straighten the bike to vertical before you grab your binders or you will dump the bike! If you are able to allow your rear tire to continue to spin while doing this then you should as this will provide gyroscopic stability for the majority of your bike until you are moving very slowly.

Even in a situation in which failing to stop soonest puts your life in jeopardy, locking BOTH brakes is NOT the way to go, in my opinion. (I don't think it EVER makes sense to aggressively use your rear brake.) Mind you, locking your front brake to stop as quickly as possible is ONLY TRUE if the road surface is loose!!! Any normal road surface condition requires that you NOT lock either of your brakes in order to stop quickest.

Ride safe all,

HRC and Safety Officer

John K

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR
Anne Marie Christopher**



We haven't had much activity since the picnic. We had a beautiful fall while it lasted. I have to say October was an awesome month for riding. The weather was beautiful and the foliage was spectacular. Some of us were fortunate enough to take a few days off and take advantage of the weather to go on some great rides.

Our Annual Dinner is on January 18, 2020 and being held at Barbagallo's. We will be announcing a price very soon.

This past Saturday we had a Paint Party at Performance. Our very own Barb Snyder hosted as the artist and we had a great time. We hope to do more of these in the future.



If anyone has any ideas for activities or outing over the winter, please let me know. We're always open for ideas. We don't want to hibernate over the winter. Comedy clubs, movie nights, Painting (Barb Snyder), Sunday brunch – we'll plan it!

Let's have fun,

Anne Marie Christopher

Activities Officer

TREASURER'S REPORT

Joanne Piston



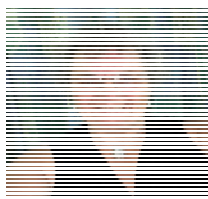
Our October financial activity was light. At the meeting we received our first 12 memberships for 2020. WE had the normal income and expenses of the meeting itself.

The cash balance at the end of the month was \$3,587.81.

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 everyone,

Winter is 41 days ahead as I write this. Yesterday our own Barb Snyder held a Paint with Barb event at PHD. It was an awesome time making a harvest picture. Wish you had been there.

With winter upon us, I was wondering what we could do this season to hone our skills and challenge us for the

next riding season. I was surfing the web and found a man who runs a YouTube motorcycle training "channel." I found some of the videos interesting. You might want to google, MCrider-motorcycle training. I found him easy to listen to and though we may not agree with all he says, expanding our knowledge is never a bad thing.

Remember our veterans in the hospital with the holidays coming up please bring beauty items, recreational items and new sweats and t shirts.

In the Wind,
Terry Lynn

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Karen Whedon



The **Canned Food** drive for the **CNY Food Bank** will continue. Please try and remember to bring a canned good or two to the meetings and any time you might be at Performance Harley Davidson. The "cupboard" is looking a little bare and 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.



So far I have 10 people for the **Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringing** at Performance Harley Davidson on Black Friday and also the gift wrapping table, but we can always use and need more people.



There is no charge to the customers for the gift wrapping and Syracuse HOG gets to keep all the tips. We did pretty darn good last year!!

I will have sign up sheets at the meeting for both these events.

Karen Whedon

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