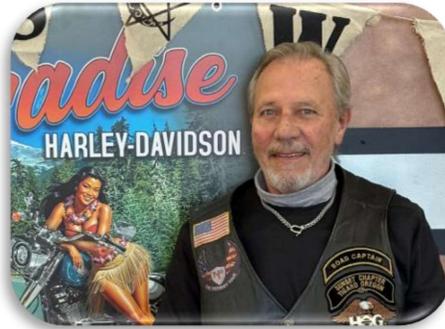


Meet Your Assistant Director: John



Hello Fellow Members,

I'm honored to have been selected to be your new Assistant Director of the Sunset HOG Chapter #1814. I hope to always have an open mind, an open ear, and an open heart while serving this chapter that I thoroughly enjoy being a member of.

I purchased my first Harley in 1979 while living in San Diego where we didn't wear helmets and rode like madmen up & down Hwy I-5 along the beautiful coastline. After 2 frustrating years of the AMF 1200 Super Glide, I traded it for an old 48 ridged frame Pan Head. She was a wild & pretty ride, and I wish I still had her.

I moved to the Portland area in 1990 as a construction worker but didn't purchase my 97 Heritage until 2016 and joined the Sunset Chapter. I've made many friends within the Chapter Family and have had many great experiences with you all on rides, events, & needs.

I had a near-death solo accident in 2022, on my 2019 Ultra Limited. We were in the Washington hills along the Klickitat River. It was so assuring to have a Sunset Chapter Road Captain looking over me every time I opened my eyes, even in the ER. Having a HOG Family brother there made me feel so safe and relieved, as I could not comprehend what was going on. While I was in the assisted living recovery home, a HOG Family brother was just down the hall because of his run-in with a deer. While we were there, 3 or 4 HOG Family members came to visit us, and this was during Covid. My wife could not drive when I was released, so a HOG Family couple came to Washington to pick me up & deliver me home to my anxiously waiting wife. While recovering at home, a HOG brother came by the house & took me to and from a Chapter meeting. After I recovered, a HOG brother took me to Paradise H-D to pick up my new 2024 Heritage & escorted me home.

So now you can see why I feel this HOG Chapter #1814 really is FAMILY!

I hope to continue to expand our membership and help all to feel welcomed and cared for.

John W.