

THE HANDLEBAR STAR

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE INLAND EMPIRE HARLEY OWNERS GROUP #3448



























































We are HOG—

The Inland Empire Chapter is a family oriented group of road riding enthusiasts who enjoy riding their Harley-Davidson motorcycles together. The members would like to share this enjoyment with you and encourage you to join in the activities we have during the year. 2020 is a great year to come together to fellowship while enjoying the open road!

February/March 2020

We are already half way through February. Can you believe its 2020, we are two decades into the 21st century? I feel good about what we have been able to accomplish in six short weeks of 2020. We have already had several great local rides, our first activities meeting of the year resulted in four months of rides booked with our first and second overnights right around the corner. Our LOH crew has several fun activities scheduled and by the time you all read this issue of the Handel Bar Star your officers will have attended the 2020 ROC Leadership Conference.

We also talked about our Website. Dennis Palmer is working on coming up with the best solution for us to allow for maximum information at a resendable price. We will be getting back to you with what we come up with.

 Black Sheep Breakfast Rides are the first Saturday of each month. Breakfast
is served at a **NEW LOCATION!** Mexicali Bar & Grill **1690 Spruce St.**
Riverside CA 92507. Price \$12.00 a person to include the tip. Lets join a
buffet breakfast to fellowship and have fun!


Assistant Director Mitch Lavine



Over thirty years ago HOG was formed. It was formed as a riding group, not a political group or religious group, not as a charity group but it was simply to RIDE AND HAVE FUN.

How do we grow??? RIDE MORE, How do we get more people involved??? RIDE MORE. How do we have fun??? RIDE MORE. The basic answer to stress, anger, temperament, is to RIDE MORE!!!

Our focus must be on riding, more riding-fun riding-diverse riding. We need to offer rides to our members and soon to be members that take us to new places, rides that give us new experiences and camaraderie. It's that Simple...

We all have hundreds of outlets for charity of choice, for our political views, for religious needs or not, but what HOG offers is great rides on great motorcycles!

The only real question is "how" do we ride more? Well that's easy, **JUST DO IT.** Get more involved, come to our activities meeting, lead a ride. We offer rides that are short, long, 1 night, 2 and 3 night rides. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner rides and everything in between.

Remember most people don't buy a Harley Davidson to have it sit in the garage. No one buys one and says, hey I think I will park it in the garage and watch it collect dust. A Harley-Davidson needs to be ridden and we are the people to do just that. As a chapter we are giving you a chance to ride with some great people on great roads. Build lifetime friendships. We have to put the fun back in our rides. There's a lot of folks we haven't seen out on the road in a long time. I know work and life get in the way of riding. Just remember how you feel when you're on your bike out on the open roads. **Make it your choice to get out and ride!!!**

Road Captain T—Rex



What a great start to the year, we have had some good rides already and great participation. The Death Valley Ride is quickly approaching, and we have had a great invite to the HOGOPOLLOZA in Mesa Arizona. Our first activities meeting laid out some great rides and I am confident that the ride leaders will make it fun. I am hoping to see even more involvement in rides this year and I am thrilled that we logged over 200k miles in rides in 2019.

The ROC training was very informative this year and you can really see the direction of HOG. We are to ride and have fun and break down any barriers that would stop us from being inclusive for all levels and types of riders. We are encouraged to think out of the box and schedule rides at different times and days then what has become the normal. You only need a ride leader to schedule and plan the ride and we will see to it that the proper documentation is in your hands for the ride. It has been suggested that we think of people who work different shifts then we do and have different days off. Maybe a ride that is kick stands up in the early afternoon or in the evening, or perhaps on a Monday or some other weekday that would work. You only need a plan and some one to lead the ride to get this accomplished.

I am looking forward to seeing what you come up with and how many more people we can get riding their bikes. Pop up rides are encouraged, and we are making it as easy as possible to get the rides published so that many can be included. If there is anything I can do to help or facilitate this effort just let me know, I'll bet we can accomplish a lot this year. We have many talented ride leaders and lots of ideas for rides lets see how many we can get done and don't forget to ride and have fun.

There is no better therapy than wind therapy, Lets Ride,

T-Rex

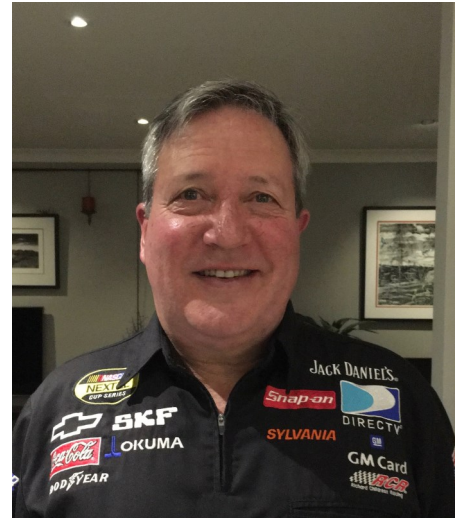
Membership Geoff Thorn

Hi Everyone,

The year is already going way too fast, members need to renew their memberships before march as this is the cut off. We have had a burst of renewals but only half of the registered members have actually completed their forms and paid dues. The membership table will be at the bike nights again this year manned by yours truly and hopefully some helpers, enabling us to scout for potential new members.

The total memberships renewed is 75, so please fill out your membership renewals and get them in to us by either by email at geoffthorn1@gmail.com or send with your dues to treasurer or at the next meeting, thank you. We have a full calendar of fantastic rides coming up and if you are not a paid up member you will miss out on all the fun and the great roads we will travel together.

Cheers Geoff Thorn – Membership Officer



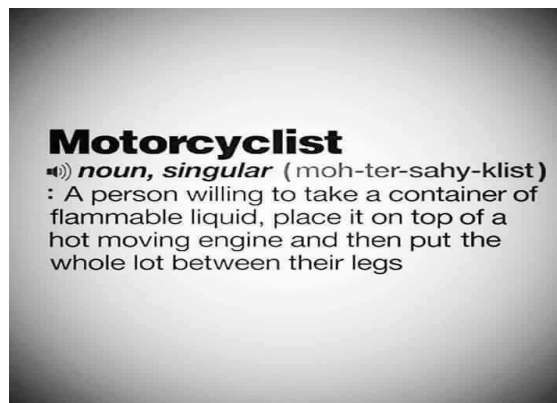
Treasure Monika Stabb

Going into 2020 Monika has been elected by the chapter to continue as the Treasurer. We thank her for her contributions and time she has given and continues to give.

Safety Officer Robert Brown



Hello IE HOG. I am Robert Brown, your Safety Officer for 2020. When thinking about safety while riding a motorcycle the following definition of a motorcyclist comes to mind:



With this definition in mind what makes a motorcycle safe to ride is its mechanical integrity. Now the explosion that takes place within the cylinders is contained within our engines but there are many visible indicators outside of the engine that we can check routinely to help ensure our motorcycles are safe and ready for the ride.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation uses the acronym TCLOCS to help us remember six areas of inspection to do prior to riding. Tires and wheels (T), Controls (C), Lights and electronics (L), Oil and other fluids (O), Chassis (C), and Stands (S).

Tires and Wheels: Make sure both tires are in good condition before starting a ride. Ensuring there are no embedded objects and bulges and monitoring the wear of your tires may contribute to a safer ride. It's also a good idea to check your tire pressure, especially when it's cold outside, to make sure they have enough air.

While you're looking at the tires, look at the wheels to make sure everything looks in order. Keep an eye out for bent, broken or missing spokes, for instance, and watch for excessive grease, which may indicate a cracked seal.

Finally, check your brake pads and discs for wear, and make sure both brakes work.

Activities Sherri Wilson



Each Year upwards of 7,500 motorcyclists pack the street of Indiana Avenue in Riverside, California to observe and participate in the tradition of West Coast Thunder.

SAVE THE DATE : Monday, May 25, 2020 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	MEETING PLACE
Feb. 28—Mar 1	8:00 am	HOG -A-PALOOZA	RHD
Feb. 29	8:00 am	Reagan Library	RHD
Mar 6th—8th	8:00 am	Overnighter—Death Valley	McDonalds Hwy 138
March 7	7:00 am	Black sheep breakfast	NEW LOCATION
March 12	6:00 pm	Chapter Meeting	ELKS Lodge
March 13	6:30 am	LOH Paint Party	Wilson's home
March 14	11:30 am	Chili Cook Off	Lavine's Home
March 19	5:00 pm	Bike Night	RHD
March 28	11:00 am	HOG Volunteer Day	RHD
March 29	TBA	LOH—Bowling	TBA

Also look for weekly email blasts for updates and changes

Ladies Of Harley Jennifer Carter



Hello to all my fellow I.E. HOG members. This is Jennifer, from LOH (Ladies of Harley). I wanted to say thanks to all those that were able to attend our LOH Valentines dinner, it was a hit, full of laughs, good food and a great turn out! Ladies garage night at Riverside Harley was cool, and full of some great info. I had no idea we can test ride a demo seat out for the day! I'm looking forward to trying out that reach seat LOL. It was nice hanging out with everyone. I'm looking forward to some great LOH events that are coming our way, such as; our ladies paint night, some Sunday fun day of bowling for the chapter, Annie's breakfast GAR (get acquainted ride), Laughlin River Run overnighter and Ladies day at the spa (Glen Ivy). Thank you for being involved in our great I.E. HOG Chapter. Looking forward to seeing you on the rides and at the events. On a side note, please add Evite to your email safe list and my email is jfmarshall777@hotmail.com.

Blood Drive Kathy Bradford

BE THE ONE TO SAVE A LIFE



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT— Kathy is spearheading the Blood Drive we are asking that we all make more of an effort to help support!!! Please see email blast for dates.

Denny's – 3530 Madison St. Rvsd at 8:30am for breakfast.

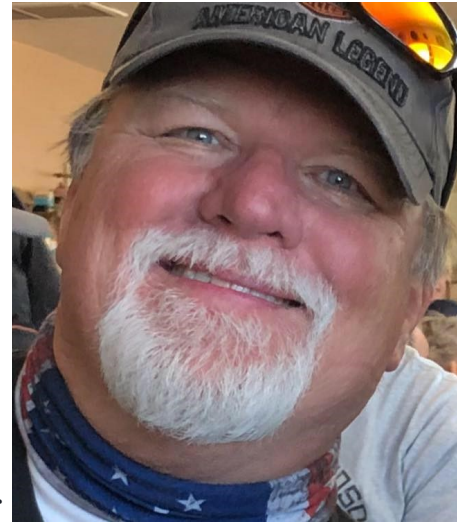
Life Stream, located at 4006 Van Buren Blvd., Riverside.

*It is best to make an appointment to avoid any type of crowd there – please call them directly at 951-687-2530 or 800-879-4484 and remember the group name when you donate is: **MHOG, (which we must tell them every time.)***

Media Officer Dennis Palmer

Latest Update— 02/14

Just to let you all know that the Current website will be deactivated within the next 5 days in preparation for our new one, this is, as of right now, a non-reversible action. I have all the pictures, files and information saved off of it that I will transfer to the next. For now, until the new site is up and running please refer to your email blast as the calendar will go away with the website.



Chapter Meeting & Social

**Second Thursday of
each month at 7:00**

Secretary Jodi Rizzotto

Jodi previously was the editor in 2019 with an outstanding newsletter with many wonderful short stories of her writing talents! As we go into 2020 she will continue to be of service to the Chapter as the Secretary.



HOG Family!

By Jodi Rizzotto



I am HOG- Erica Rosignolo

By Jodi Rizzotto

Many of you have seen her smiling face on rides or at chapter meetings. Her boyfriend, Rick Garcia, led the Borrego Springs ride this year. Since Frank and I hadn't been riding for a while, I hadn't the opportunity to get to know her. At the last meeting, I sat down with our latest newsletter editor, Erica Rosignolo, to find out more.

Riding behind her boyfriend, Rick, was Erica's first experience riding on a motorcycle. She's been riding with him for about three years. They both grew up in San Diego where they met through work and were friends for a long time before becoming a couple. Rick's been riding for seven years. He owns two Harleys, a 2014 Street Glide and a 2016 CVO. After relocating to the Riverside area, they sought new friends through joining the Inland Empire HOGs. They had never been part of a HOG chapter before.

Her favorite HOG ride so far has been San Simeon. She loved traveling the backroads through the central coast wine country as well as riding next to the coast. Her dream ride would be in Hawaii, where they would rent Harleys and take the road to Hana. Her most challenging ride so far was her first ride, finding her balance as a passenger and overcoming the fear of arriving safely. This year, she's looking forward to the Sedona overnighter, a ride she suggested at the Activities Meeting.

Let's welcome Erica in her new role as newsletter editor, as she chronicles our adventures this year. It's exciting to have new members step up and contribute to our chapter. Finding new friends to share rides and stories is what makes IE HOG great!

*** Please make note we would like to get to know many members from our family . We are looking for new members to participate in the upcoming editions. If interested in contributing please email Erica Rosignolo Tikitko@gmail.com to get more details. ***

Valentines Dinner



Day Rides

MaLainey's Brunch Ride



Day Rides Barret Junction



2020 IE HOG OFFICERS

ELECTED OFFICERS:

Director	MICK HAMMER
Assistant Director	MITCH LAVINE
Secretary	JODI RIZZOTTO
Treasurer	MONIKA STAUB

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Activities	SHERRI WILLISON
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Ladies of Harley	JENNIFER CARTER-
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