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Chapter Meeting & Social

Second Thursday of
each month at 7:00

Who we are:

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. You are welcome to participate in many of the rides and events whether or not you join the chapter.

To all the new upcoming officers Thank You for continuing to support this chapter and I am looking forward to viewing the meeting's from the other side of the room. Thank you for allowing me to be part of this great chapter.

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★ Black Sheep Breakfast Rides are the first Saturday of each month. Breakfast is served at

★ **NEW LOCATION-** 0900 at Moreno Valley Elks Lodge, 12125 Day St, Moreno Valley. This is

★ an awesome event and a chance to meet members and have some fellowship all while en-

★ joying some great food. Breakfast is \$10 per person, all you can eat buffet. Opportunity

★ Tickets and 50-50 drawing.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Mick Hammer

Candidate for Chapter Director:



I want to thank all of you for your support and well wishes with my nomination as your 2019 Chapter Director.

I hope that I can live up to the high standard our past director has set. I believe that the chapter is in a good place currently and hope to continue the policies and openness that the past primary officers provided.

I believe that our chapter will jell best f we keep moving forward with our motto to "Ride and Have Fun." We are a riding chapter and we exist to give our members opportunities to gather together, ride together and develop long lasting friendships.

I also want to explore, with your assistance, new ways to bring the chapter and the dealership closer together. I have some ideas but I want to hear yours as well.

So moving forward let's keep riding, let's keep talking and let's keep developing relationships.



I look forward to working with each of you to build a strong chapter built on riding and having fun.

HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

Dan Alexander

Wow! Another year is coming to a close of great riding and we still have a few great rides remaining. Then it is time to do it all over again. That's what is so amazing about being an IE HOG member. While people in other parts of the country are storing their bikes for the winter, we are able to ride year round, rain or shine. The three other riders that rode to the Nethercutt Museum understand the last part of the last sentence. When I first became the Head Road Captain a few years ago, I thought it was a HOG rule that we didn't ride when it is raining. Come to find out there are some chapters that do not have an option as it rains a good part of the year. Riverside Harley Davidson Motor Clothes Department carries rain gear should you have the need or desire to ride in the rain (it is always good to carry with you). Check them out!



I want to thank all of our members that have led Chapter rides this past year. It is you that have made this chapter a great Chapter to be a part of, and of course made my job much easier. Let's continue to keep this the best Chapter in all of HOG. This is a bittersweet time as my tenure as the Head Road Captain is coming to a close, after attending a Christmas party three years ago and being asked to be your Head Road Captain it has been an honor and pleasure to represent our Chapter in that capacity. Again thank you for your confidence in me.



As this chapter in life closes and a new one begins I look forward to what comes next. I look forward to seeing you on the rides and hope you can attend one of our overnight rides, there is a lot of camaraderie to be had and lasting friendships to make.

Be safe and have fun doing it!
Screw it! Let's ride!

Secretary

Laura Maw

Amazing, the nominations have been made and the elections are just around the corner. Everyone running has something to offer to the position. Good luck to those guys running for Assistant Director...Dan Alexander and Jeff Staub, two great guys. Then for Road Captain...Tom Willison and Dennis Palmer. I wish them all well! Try to attend the November Chapter Meeting and vote for your choice.

After the elections, then we have the holiday season, which I don't know if it's the same for you as it is for me, but didn't Thanksgiving and Christmas roll around in a blink of an eye. This entire year has just flown by. I can't believe I'm trying to begin my Christmas shopping!!!

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be your Chapter secretary for the past two years. I know I will miss the position, but I will still be around and riding on our fun rides. I also know that Jennifer Carter will make a great secretary and it's time that I extend the torch to her.

Thank you for making this riding year a great year, and I know we will have more great years to come.



Treasurer

Monika Staub

It's been great weather for riding after all those hot months. I can't wait to wear my leathers. It was great to see everyone at the HOG Halloween party. Chapter participation in rides and events makes our chapter the best around.

The Christmas party will be here before you know it, and then January when we'll plan our rides for next year.

I am running for another term as your treasurer, and appreciate the trust you've placed in me.

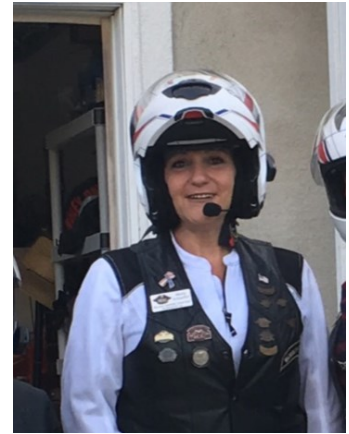
Remember why we ride—the freedom, the breath-taking scenery, and great friends at the end of the day.



Ladies of Harley

Maria Schaeffer

Well it Is that time again...another article! Well where to start? We have been busy this year with our monthly dinners, blinging hats, planning parties, overnight trips and even leading a breakfast ride. I have been so lucky this year to lead such a group of ladies who have really kept me going in more ways than some know.



We enjoy our monthly dinners. We even let the men into the meetings now. (they get the bill) So be sure to join us sometime.



The Christmas party is coming around the corner and will be a great time to have by all.

Next year, If I have the pleasure to be the LOH Officer will be just as exciting in not even better with more things to come!

Let me say it was an eye opener in leading the LOH ride to Annies in Lake Elsinore for breakfast. When you look in your mirror and ALL you see are motorcycle headlights you know it's a good day.



Membership

Scott Schaeffer

This year is coming to an end and we had a good one. I am looking forward to the new year ahead with some good rides for next year.

We will be having an activity meeting in January to plan and discuss the next years rides please join us, looking forward to seeing you all on some of the rides.

Also looking forward to the end of the year Christmas party December 1st. I will be taking chapter renewals starting at the November chapter meeting for all that wish to renew a little early. Please make sure your national HOG membership is up to date please.

Looking forward to welcoming all the new officers for next year and having a great time. Just wanted to say thank you to all the officers that are leaving the board this year we had a great time.

Looking forward to hopefully being your membership officer in the year to come.

Thank you to all the new members we had join us this year looking forward to seeing all of you in the years to come.



HOG Officer Election Nov. 8

We have six Primary Officer Spots to fill:

Director; Assistant Director; Treasurer; Secretary; Road Captain; & Ladies of Harley.

Nominees are to be members of both Inland Empire Riverside Chapter and Harley Davidson National, for at least one year (the night of nominations) and in good standing with both.

An individual who holds an office or administrative position in any other motorcycle organization cannot run, unless approved by our sponsoring dealership, Riverside Harley Davidson; and Members of the Election Committee cannot run.

The Elections will be held at the November chapter meeting. Remember, this is for the 6 primary officer positions; the elections committee will meet to count the votes at a later day and each candidate will be notified the results.

Appointed officers; Newsletter Editor, Blood Drive, Activities, Photographer, Media, Membership, Safety, Sergeant-at-Arms & Webmaster, will be selected by the new Officers at a later date.

Kathy Bradford and Chris Robbins

Current Candidate List:

Director:	Mick Hammer
Assistant Director:	Dan Alexander Jeff Staub
Road Captain:	Dennis Palmer Tom (T-Rex) Willison
Secretary:	Jennifer Marshall
Ladies of Harley:	Maria Schaeffer
Treasurer:	Monika Staub

(Descriptions of officer responsibilities is available upon request.)

Candidate Statements

Director: Mick Hammer—see his article on pg. 4

Assistant Director: Dan Alexander

My name is Dan Alexander and I have been nominated to be the Assistant Director. I met a friend while working on the letter "M" that is on the side of Box Springs Mountain and he invited me to a meeting at the Riverside Brewing Company. I like beer so this was just up my alley, or so I thought. I was welcomed into a lifestyle that I didn't know then that this would become a lifesaving event for me. That was in 2004 and I have to thank Duane Chamlee aka "Papa Duane" for that. I have been a member of the Inland Empire Harley Owners Group ever since for 14 years. I have served in various volunteer positions and as the Head Road Captain for a total of six years. I am honored to be considered to be the Assistant Director and hope that you will instill your confidence in me as well. I am a Life member of HOG and look forward to many more years riding with IE HOG. I look forward to seeing you all on a ride!

Assistant Director: Jeff Staub

I'm a local real estate broker and small business owner in Riverside. I have enjoyed my membership in HOG and I'd like to contribute to the group as Assistant Director in an effort to keep our HOG miles rolling. My flexible work schedule will allow me to participate in most HOG rides and events. Thank you for your consideration.

(Candidates Statements continued)

Road Captain: Dennis Palmer

Why am I running for Road Captain? First of all, I enjoy being involved in organizations just as I was through high school and college in student government and sports. I would like to be part of the leadership and help this organization grow into the future. As Mitch says, "New Blood helps the Chapter Grow". Second, the position is one that I unofficially held with another group of riders for a few years, and I really enjoy teaching others how to plan, route and organize their rides. I would like to share the experience I have gained regarding setting up rides, stops, overnight stays, routing, group communication and overall organizing rides. We need more ride leaders in our chapter, and my leadership can help others step up and suggest rides that they want to lead rather than handing the ride to someone else. My rides add a little more adventure along with social time. Thank you in advance for the consideration of your vote!

Road Captain: Tom (T-Rex) Willison

The mission of our chapter is to Ride and Have Fun. The Road Captain plays a critical role in accomplishing this mission. As Road Captain, you have three basic objectives: 1. Assist with the safety and welfare of all individuals within the group, and any surrounding motorists or pedestrians. 2. Lead the group to its destination in a well-organized, disciplined, and safe manner. 3. Avoid hazardous situations. As Head Road Captain I will maintain a roster of qualified and proficient road captains and will designate mentors to train new ride leaders. I have led many safe rides for this chapter and have demonstrated the skills need to keep us safe and have fun rides. Please vote for T-Rex.

Ladies of Harley: Maria Schaeffer– see her article on pg. 7

Treasurer: Monika Staub– see her article on pg. 6

Please come out to the Chapter Meeting on Thursday, Nov. 8 to elect our new HOG officers.



HD Chapter Manager Jim Bridges



HOG is many things to many people.

Most of us join to ride with new friends. Some join for the social aspect. Others join for both. The social aspect was in full mode for the Annual Halloween Party. Since 2008, Sharon and I had hosted the this very fun filled party with most "nights" ending at about 2 AM.

This year we past the torch to Dennis and Char Palmer. They graciously opened their beautiful home to the Chapter. It is safe to say, the Chapter Halloween party is in good hands. They did an amazing job of hosting and the Chapter is very thankful for the hospitality.

During the evening, while kicking back on the porch, Dennis was talking about how active he and Char are. They have Quads, Sea-Doos, the RV and they even scuba dive. But like I experienced and so many others have said, buying the Harley and joining HOG was life changing. It becomes part of you and even after the ride is done, you still live it.

We that have found HOG are lucky people. We have a great group of friends and we get to not only ride a motorcycle, we get to Ride a Harley-Davidson. Ride Safe and we'll see you out on the road.



Blood Drive Kathy Bradford



I want to thank those who were consistently able to donate this year:

Kevin & Carole Marquis, Gene Hall, Chuck Bough, Papa, Nervous, and just recently found out Char Palmer. T

Thank you for giving up your time to give back so much!

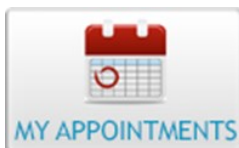
The final Blood Drive for this year is 12-01-18.

Meet 8:30 for Breakfast at Denny's, 3530 Madison Street, Rvsd, then to LifeStream, 4006 Van Buren Blvd., Rvsd. I also want to thank those who have been able to join for breakfast, even if you cannot donate, the company is always welcomed & enjoyed!

We usually get to LifeStream 9:45 – 10:00, if you would like to make an appointment for yourself and others that are going to donate – please call them directly at 951-687-2530 or 800-879-4484 and remember the group name when you donate is: MHOG.

Also, LifeStream has a donations rewards system set up from 50 to 1000 points each time you donate, for gifts, entry tickets to various places such as Disneyland and San Diego Zoo and restaurant gift cards; check their website: <https://www.lstream.org/>.

Once you register online - all your records can be found such as:



Blood and platelets are two things they can't make in a lab," this is a no-cost to you, way you can give back to our community.

As always,

Thank you!



From the Editor's Desk

Jodi Rizzotto

Riding Among the Ancients

Wrinkled trunks, witnesses of centuries, watch us ride through their domain. Sentinels perched on rocky battlements sigh, "Safe passage," to the line of Harleys slithering up the narrow mountain road. Our HOG overnighter group pulls into the museum parking lot in the Sequoia National Park, and rests under the shelter of giants.



It feels good to stretch out after the slow procession through hairpins and switchbacks all the way up General Sherman Highway. Taking pictures next to the sequoias makes me feel like the tiny humans we are in this immense universe. These rugged red trees have seen it all for thousands of years—bears, rabbits, Native Americans, European explorers, early settlers, awestruck tourists.

For a moment, time stops, and there is peace. Voices are muffled here. We have ventured into a cathedral with vaulted ceilings of fragrant green, a monument to a mighty Creator.

In the museum, I learn that sequoias are nearly indestructible. After a forest fire, they heal their own bark. It takes years, but their patience is a lesson we humans should learn. Disasters pass through here, but the forest is constantly renewed.



Frank and I munch our sandwiches back in the parking lot, watching the steady flow of visitors. What draws us here, to the forest's hush? A deep breath of crisp pine-scented air, the crunch of dry needles beneath our feet?

Perhaps we long to feel permanence in the face of the whirlwind changes and relentless entropy of our modern world. These trees care not for politics or fashion. The forest fondly watches our struggle, a great-grandfather at a birthday party while we are the blindfolded children, wildly swinging at the piñata.

Soon it is time to move on, to roar through tunnels of trees and return to the cultivated farms of our world. With regret, we leave our retreat of wood and rock. We swish our way back down the mountain, our silent vows to return accepted by ancient giants.

From the Road: Sequoia



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HOG Halloween Party



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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Also look for weekly email blasts for updates and changes

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Nov. 3	9:00 a.m.	Black Sheep Breakfast Ride to follow	NEW LOCATION Elks Lodge, Moreno Valley
Nov. 4	5:30 p.m.	Directors Surprise Dinner Ride- MEMBERS ONLY	RHD
Nov. 6	6:00 p.m.	LOH Dinner/Social	Anchos Riverside
Nov. 8	7:00 p.m. (Tacos at 6:00)	I.E. HOG Chapter Meeting- ELECTION NIGHT!	Riverside Elks Lodge
Nov. 9-11	7:00 a.m.	San Simeon Overnighter	McDonalds on 138
Nov. 17	10:00 a.m.	Black Sheep Tin Run	RHD
Nov. 18	5:00 p.m.	Dinner Ride to Vince's	RHD
Nov. 25	9:00 a.m.	Falbrook Avocado Tour	RHD

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

October

Sherri Willison **10/1**
Jodi Rizzotto **10/12**
Dave Matias **10/16**
Jeff Staub **10/22**
Kevin Delawyer **10/23**
Colleen Buom **10/28**
Gary Kermoian **10/28**



November

Laura Lopez **11/4**
Carroll White **11/5**
Sharon Bridges **11/6**
Samantha Schaeffer **11/7**
Greg Peek **11/14**
Linda Timbreza **11/20**
Robert Brown **11/24**
Dan Alexander **11/25**
Sherri Crosson **11/25**
Brian Bradford **11/26**



A Word from our Sponsors

If you want to have your business card included in The Handlebar Star, contact Monika Staub for more details.



2018 IE HOG OFFICERS

ELECTED OFFICERS:

Director	MITCH LAVINE
Assistant Director	MICK HAMMER
Secretary	LAURA MAW
Treasurer	MONIKA STAUB
Ladies of Harley	MARIA SCHAEFFER
Head Road Captain	DAN ALEXANDER
Immediate Past Director	DAVE RUSK

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Activities	PATSY MATA-HAMMER
Blood Drive	KATHY BRADFORD
Chapter Historian	JIM SPICER
Chapter Photographer	MARINA SPICER AND DEBI TUIOLOSEGA
Media Officer	SEAN SCHOEPPNER
Membership	SCOTT SCHAEFFER AND JEFF STAUB
Newsletter Editor	JODI RIZZOTTO
Safety Officer	JEFF STAUB
Sergeant-at-Arms	BILL GRILJALBA
Riverside H-D Chapter Manager	JIM BRIDGES
WEBMASTER	PETE SINCLAIR