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Southeastern Minnesota Harley Owners Group #2443
September 2011 Newsletter

Directors Notes

Runge's Ramblings

It gets harder to find something to ramble on about every month, but my GREAT granddaughter reminded me of something that's important to all of us - kids. She is three years old and said to her dad, "Watch those words that come out of your mouth dad". She's obviously been told that a few times. She's at that age where they hear a new word and have no idea what it means. They're also very interested in motorcycles. One of my granddaughters won't get off the bike after a ride. She just can't understand why it has to end when it's not dark yet. I like to find a park with shade trees and polish my bike. Usually I'm left alone but there's always that little guy with a hundred questions most of which I can't answer. You sit them on your bike and they want to know what every button and switch does and what's worse, WHY? I sometimes think we need to go back to school. Kids are great, they don't care what you ride, what color you are or if you're male or female. If you've got a bike they just want to see it and touch it and mostly with sticky little hands from pop or French fries. Whatever the case, be nice to them. They are our future bikers and we want them to think we're all just great so they grow up with the right attitude about bikes and bikers. So don't say don't touch, those greasy little hand prints will wash off, I make them feel welcome and watch them smile. That's what makes my day at the park.

Ride safe and I'll see ya'll on the road.

Gary Runge
Director

August 2011 Meeting Minutes

SE MN HOG meeting on August 13, 2011 was called to order by Gary Runge, Director.

Gary led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In Jeff Williams, Treasurer, absence Gary reported a closing balance of \$15,986.

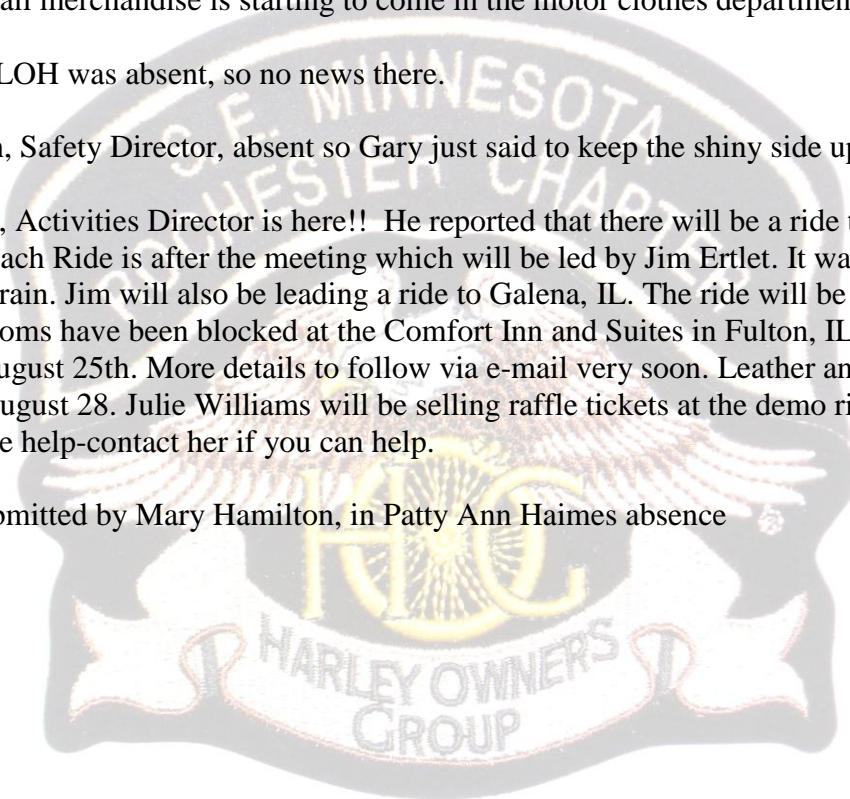
In Frank Fawcett, Assistant Director, absence Gary gave the dealership news: Demo Rides are coming this August 26th and 27th. There will be over a dozen 2012 models to test ride - 17 bikes and 1 trike. Our motor clothes girl, Holly, is leaving the Harley Shop. Her last day was August 13. We wish her luck as she moves forward in life. The 2012 Harley's are in! Come and check them out. New fall merchandise is starting to come in the motor clothes department.

Julie Williams, LOH was absent, so no news there.

Charlie Milligan, Safety Director, absent so Gary just said to keep the shiny side up!!!

Roger Hamilton, Activities Director is here!! He reported that there will be a ride to Mantorville for the Stage Coach Ride is after the meeting which will be led by Jim Ertlet. It was subsequently canceled due to rain. Jim will also be leading a ride to Galena, IL. The ride will be leaving RHD at 8 AM. Ten rooms have been blocked at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Fulton, IL but have to be booked by August 25th. More details to follow via e-mail very soon. Leather and Pipes ride next Saturday August 28. Julie Williams will be selling raffle tickets at the demo rides. I'm sure she can use some help-contact her if you can help.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Hamilton, in Patty Ann Haines absence



Activity Officer Notes

If you are going out for a ride and looking for folks to ride with, send an email to rogerhd69@gmail.com and Roger will forward it to the group. Include how others can contact you if they have questions.

Roger Hamilton
Activity Officer

Raffle Tickets

We have a number of raffle tickets available for members to sell. **Remember that this is the main fundraiser for the club.** The proceeds from the sales help fund donations to groups like the local first-responders, the Ronald McDonald House, Christmas Anonymous, Sheriff's Youth Program, and other local charities. Please consider helping by selling a book or two or three...

Editor Notes

All input for newsletter should be submitted no later than the 20th of the month to make the next newsletter. Please make a statement in subject line as to content. If you have any questions on this subject or have any suggestions for a future newsletter, please e-mail or give Jeff Williams a call.

Thank you all for your support and input for the newsletter. You all help make this a good monthly newsletter.

You may submit articles to jeff1851@charter.net.

Jeff Williams
Newsletter Editor

Webmaster Notes

When submitting info for web site, please include all info needed such as pictures and events plus make a statement in subject line as to content. If you have any questions on this subject or have any suggestions for content on web site, please e-mail or give Roger a call.

Thank you all for your support and input for the web site. You all help to make this a good web site that will keep us all informed and help promote SE MN H.O.G. Club

You may submit input, pictures, events, etc. to rogerhd69@gmail.com.

Roger Hamilton
Webmaster

Chapter Events and Rides Photos

July Birthday Ride



August Birthday Ride



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- August 28th [Toys For Tot's ride out of Stillwater](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
Sal's Angus Grill
12010 Keystone Ave North
Stillwater/ Withrow, MN
- September 3rd Ride to Galena on the east side of the river, coming back on the west side. Spending some time on Sun. in Galena. A nice ride with great river views. Don't forget to book your rooms before Aug.25th! Ride Leader Jim Ertelt has 10 rooms blocked at Comfort Inn and Suites,1301 17 TH.St. in Fulton,IL. for Sept.3rd. For \$87.00 plus tax.,with pool and spa,workout room,open until11:00 P.M. A few spaces for bike parking under awning. Free breakfast from 7:00 - 10:30 A.M.. Fulton is about 20 miles from Galena. The number is 815-589-3333 to make your reservations. They must be made by the 25th of Aug. Sat. night dinner at Poopy's a fun spot with a outside band,til 5:00 P.M. The plan is to leave Roch. at 8:00 A.M. from Harley shop,and ride to Galena on the east side of the river,coming back on the west side. Spending some time on Sun. in Galena. A nice ride with great river views. Don't forget to book your rooms before Aug.25th!
- September 10th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM. Breakfast at Hy-Vee South @ 7:30AM on Saturday prior to the meeting. After meeting trash pickup and ride to Hanson's Holdup, ride leader Gordon Haubenschild.
- September 13th Birthday/Dinner ride to Old Tyme Café in Chatfield. Meet at Rochester Harley, kickstands up at at 6:00PM. Dinner at 6:30PM Ride leader Roger Hamilton
- September 14th -18th [Tomahawk WI ride](#) (info only non-H.O.G. event)
- October 8th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM. Breakfast at Hy-Vee South @ 7:30AM on Saturday prior to the meeting. After meeting ride to Grand Dad's Bluff in Lacrosse, ride leader leader Frank Vondrashek
- October 11th Birthday/Dinner ride to the Bears Den in Byron. Meet at Rochester Harley, kickstands up at 6:00 PM. Dinner at 6:30PM. Ride leader Roger Hamilton
- October 15th Rochester Harley Davidson Open House, Fall Ride, and SE MN HOG Bike Drawing. (More info to follow)
- November 5th Freeze Your Butt Ride, ride leader Roger Hamilton. (More info to follow)
- November 8th Birthday/Dinner ride to the Fat Willies in Rochester. Meet at Rochester Harley, kickstands up at 6:00PM. Dinner at 6:30PM Ride leader TBD
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- November 12th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM, (Election Nominations). Breakfast at Hy-Vee South @7:30AM on Saturday prior to the meeting. After meeting ride and ride leader to TBD.
- December 10th Meeting @ Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM, (Elections). Breakfast at HyVee South @ 7:30AM on Saturday prior to the meeting.
- December 13th Birthday/Dinner ride to the Red Lobster in Rochester. Dinner at 6:30PM.

All dates are subject to change or cancellation. Notification will be sent out if there are changes. Questions contact [Roger Hamilton](#)



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