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[Southeastern Minnesota Harley Owners Group #2443](#)
September 2016 Newsletter

Directors Notes

Hello,

Don't forget we will be having are meetings at the Harley shop once again on Saturdays starting this month. After this month's meeting we will do the ditch clean up weather permitting and may go get something to eat somewhere. We still haven't heard from HOG on future State Rallies and will keep you posted.

Thanks,

Tom Keller

Director

Upcoming Events

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Harley Owners Group Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2016

Meeting called to order by Director Tom Keller

- Director- Tom-
 - This is the last meeting here at Kings Crossing next month we move back to Saturdays at Rochester Harley Davidison.
 - Still nothing from HOG on future Rallies
 - Ditch Clean-up will be next month (September) after the meeting. If it rains then it will be moved to October
- Assistant Director- Lyle- Nothing New to Report
- Treasurer- Leon- Chapter Account Starting Balance for July was \$11,620.65 with an ending Balance of \$14,258.26.
- Membership Director –Teresa- reported
 - As of meeting 89 members have paid their 2016 Membership Fees.
 - No Anniversaries this month
- Safety Director- Charlie-
 - Sturgis was a Great Time. 3 Fatalities during the Sturgis Rally. Amount of People and Hotel Prices were both down this year.
 - Be very careful, people are blowing grass clippings into the roads, Farm Equipment is out in fields and roads, school buses will be back out soon and so will the children. Keep your eyes open!
 - There was road work done around Mazeppa and roads are slick. Ride from that area was cancelled because of this.
 - Safety Handouts available if anyone would like them
- Dealership News-
 - Closed Labor Day! Safe Traveling!
 - Fall Open House October 1st, mark it down ☺
- LOH officer ~ Patty – Not Present
- Activity Officer- Tony –
 - Birthday Ride was Great! Mike Madden won the Poker Run
 - Rides are open to anyone whether they are a HOG Member or Not
 - September run to Taylor Falls, News to follow later
- Contribution Committee-Mike Shumaker-
 - Ostrander will be coming tonight to pick up check/donation during meeting (NO SHOW)
 - Goodhue First Responder provided GREAT pizza dinner and thank you to those who were able to attend.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Dale McIntyre

Contribution Committee

Nothing to Add this Month

Thank You,
Mike Shumaker

Membership Officer Notes

89 members

No HOG Anniversaries

Sept bdays:

Roger Hamilton; Matthew Heinz; Dean Pederson; David Meyer; Thomas Welsh; Don Mitchell; Ed Carlon; Ann Schwanke; Sandra Welsh; Juleena Burton; Wayne Weis; Jeff Mehnke

Thanks. Teresa
Membership Officer

Ladies of Harley

Hello LOH!

Please contact Patty Haimes with any ideas for fund raisers and I will make it happen 😊

Patty-Ann at 507-993-7857 or send an email to patty_blue2u@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your participation and support.

Sincerely,
Patty-Ann Haimes
Ladies of Harley

Activity Notes

Nothing to Add this Month

Thank you
Tony Haimes
Activity Officer

Editor Notes

All input for newsletter should be submitted no later than the 20th of the month to make the next newsletter. If you have any questions on this subject or have any suggestions for a future newsletter, please e-mail or give Dale McIntyre 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 daddyslpl@kmtel.com.

Dale McIntyre
Newsletter Editor

Webmaster Notes

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(www.facebook.com/SEMNHOG2443). Or “Follow” us on Twitter: [SEMNHOG #2443](#)
(twitter.com/SEMNHOG2443). You can send your fellow member a Tweet!

You may submit input, pictures, events, etc. 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. Also, if you have any questions on this subject or have any suggestions for content on web site, please send an e-mail or call one of the Webmasters.

All information should be sent to:

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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.

Dale Nelson
Webmaster



Around the Bend

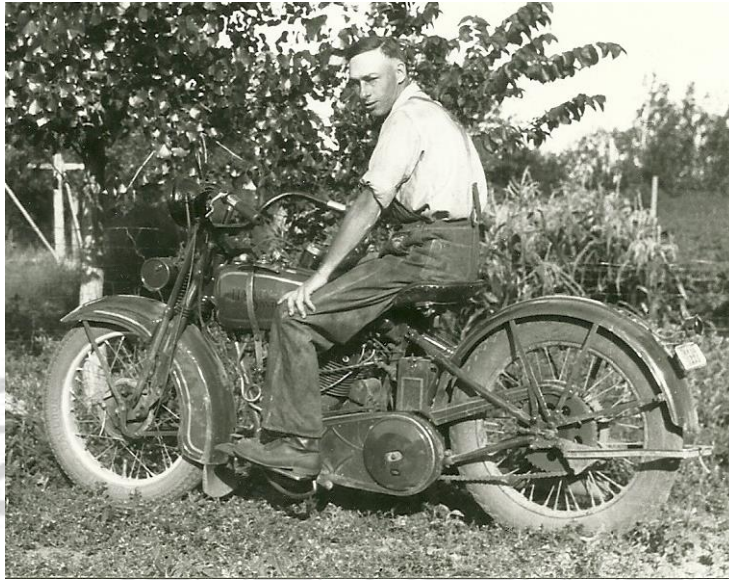
SUMMER'S ALMOST GONE, YEA IT'S ALMOST GONE, WHERE WILL WE BE WHEN THE SUMMER'S GONE? Gotta thank THE DOORS from 1968 for this one! Yea, STURGIS is over, (hope ya had a good-make that GREAT TIME with the crowd down about 40%) leaves are startin to fall in some places and only about 90% humidity now!

Late summer/fall riding can be the best with the “cooler” temperatures and less violent weather-NOT to include the past few days! This is not a good time to let your guard down. Yea, there has been a tremendous amount of road repair this year-some of it finished and some yet to be started. That road that you”OPENED HER UP ON AND BLEW THE CARBON OUT” last week could now be gravel, detoured, freshly OILED, or closed! That road that WAS so smooth and nice by now may be showing its bad side with the pot-holes from hell!! Those critterz on the road are the lucky ones that no-one hit thru the summer-including the foxes that are tormenting my catz! If only the DNR would listen to that woman who called the radio station wondering why the DNR doesn't “TRAIN” the deer etc to cross at the crossing signs. As time passes it is always nice to go see the leaves change color—and litter the road! And those folks who MUST blow the grass from mowin their lawns into the street will still be doin it for a while. Both of which, can make for a slippery surface. They are also getting things ready for the W---R by painting the markings on the roadways. Thanks for that but watch em when it is raining-SLIPPERY CITY!!

I have only mentioned a few of the hazards that motorcyclists must be aware of now or at any time of year. The question now is “WHAT CAN WE DO?” Gonna throw a few things out for you to consider not only for this time of year but year-round. Act like no one in a car has a mirror or the ability to turn their heads. Red lite/stop sign runners are, in my opinion, at an all time high! Look left, right and left again before goin thru an intersection. An old motorcycle rider sayin is that the bike will “go where you are lookin”. In a curve, look as FAR as you can, not directly in front of you. If you see a pot hole and you are lookin at it, you will drive thru it!, A good practice is when slowing down using the engine or downshifting, gently hit the brake enough to turn the brake lite on. Whatever may be behind you will then-hopefully-know you are slowing down. Painted lines, railroad tracks, expansion joints and any other barriers across the road should be crossed straight and not at an angle. If the road is curvy and wet, try to stand the bike up vertically prior to the crossing. Learn and practice “COUNTERSTEERING”. It is by far the best way to avoid obstacles-read critterz and road debris. Motorcycles present a pretty small profile-even the ELECTRA-COUCHES!! Make sure you are seen. Check and use all the lighting you can, and do not be afraid to flash your lites when you feel it is necessary!! Ever look down when ya pull into the ATM lane? That's not the only place all that oil, water, gasoline and who knows what else can be lurking. You may see the same or similar in driveways, gas stations etc. Not only can your tires slip but if ya put your foot down, tip-over-city (we all know how to pick one up-don't we?)!! **ATGATT!** I can hear it now WHAT THE HECK (it's a family article ya know) IS HE SAYIN NOW?? **All The Gear All The Time.** Yes, I know very well a helmet is not required and I am all for choice on helmets. However, no one expects to leave their motorcycle while riding. If you should though, it is best to be as prepared as you think you need be. That may include gloves, BOOTS, long pants and leather/protective jackets. That's all I'm sayin! Last but not LEAST, **TIRE PRESSURE!** That 36# you had in August may in time drop

4-5 lbs. Remember, check em cold and use the factory recommended pressures indicated on your bike- NOT THE MAXIMUM PRESSURE ON THE TIRE SIDEWALL!! If you routinely carry a passenger or load, you may need to carry a little extra in the rear tire. They will get a little softer as the temp goes down, about 1#/10° temp change. One last thought and NO, I did not originate it but it is GREAT advice: **YOU NEVER STOP LEARNING AND EVERY RIDE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REFINE YOUR RIDING SKILLS!!** And above all---

LET'S BE CAREFUL OUT THERE!!!



Getting ready for a ride on a '28 HD 74

2016 Chapter Events and Rides

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- November 5th Freeze Your Butt Ride. Let's Ride! Meet @ Rochester Harley @ 10:30AM, kickstands up at 11AM.
- November 7th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- November 12th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM, (Election Nominations). After meeting ride. Turn in mileage and chapter challenge sheets today.
- November 28th Officer Meeting @ Eagles. Social hour @ 5:30PM, meeting @ 6PM - open to all members
- December 3th SEMN HOG Meeting at Rochester Harley @ 9:30AM (Elections). Rochester Harley Davidson Open House and SEMN HOG Bike Drawing @ 2:00PM.
- December 10th Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army at K-Mart from 9AM to 4PM. Please contact Mike Shumaker mikeshu@charter.net for ringing details.

NOTE: DATES ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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