



California North Coast Chapter 0212 Newsletter

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The Director's Chair

Greetings To All,

I would first like to thank the board, and all those who have volunteered, for their hard work so far this year. It's our hard work that makes this chapter what it is. Just being a member of this group is a big plus and a big help. Every member is contributing something to this chapter in some way. And, we can all be proud when we are out riding and wearing our group logo. I think it is a great honor to be a part of this HOG chapter.

It looks like we are off to a great start this year. We have a lot planned for the year, but there is always room for one more ride! The activities meeting was a big success and the calendar has filled up a lot, but we would still like your input for ride ideas or whatever you have in mind.

We'll be having another activities meeting on Feb. 11th. I would like to encourage you to attend and get your ideas on the calendar. We will be doing all of our favorite and well-attended runs and dinner rides. There also has been new rides suggested and also suggestions to make some of our

other runs and dinner rides more interesting. We would also like to do the group photo this year and are working on the details for that.

Remember our group saying is "ride and have fun", or as others have put it: "ride to eat, eat to ride!" However you like to say it, I hope that everyone is or will be soon having a fun and exciting time this year.

As always I would like input from everyone, be it good or bad. The board is here to do what's best for the group and try to keep things running smoothly. With all that said, I would like to thank each and every one of you for all your consistent help and hard work.

LET'S RIDE AND HAVE FUN!!!!

See you on the road,

Dan



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From The Dealership



Update to the "Ride Free Guarantee"! The special offer guaranteeing MSRP trade-in allowance for owners of eligible 2007, 2008, and 2009 Sportster models who trade up to a Big Twin: This offer has been extended to include the spouse or legal domestic partner of the owner. The offer has also been extended through March 31, 2009. If you (or your spouse or partner) own a '07 or later Sportster and are interesting in trading for a bigger bike, see Rockey or Teri for all the details.

Don't Forget Your Valentine! We have some really nice new jewelry in stock and all our staff are ready and willing to help you with other gift ideas for men or women. Of course you can update your Harley "Wish List", and we'll know exactly what would please you and what to recommend to your friends and family.

New Spring Merchandise is arriving daily. We also have new helmet and boot styles in stock now.

Reminder: Our Winter Service Specials expire soon. Check out all the details at www.redwoodharley.com/specials.html.

We have updated dealership records to reflect 2009 California North Coast Chapter renewals. Those of you who have not yet renewed will find your local HOG discount at the dealership suspended until we receive notice that your dues are current.

Message from our Membership Officer, Kathleen O'Neal

HOGS Help Each Other Out! (It's a fact.)

Want to give a gift that keeps on giving? Give a fellow HOG a lift! Sharing yourself is the best way to invest in the health and vitality of our Group. And, the ways to make a difference are endless.

- Get to know a new member over breakfast before a Chapter ride, by leading the way on your own favorite road or spending an afternoon together detailing your bikes.
- Take an hour to practice riding skills with a new rider or to meet for coffee and plan a weekend biking getaway.
- Volunteer to Bowl for Kids' Sake and take silly photos of your team mates.



- Watch someone's kids so he can ride for an afternoon.
- Explain to the Group how another member saved your butt on that deserted mountain road or how she believed in you when you couldn't believe in yourself.

When you lift another member, you're helping to keep HOG strong and a family you're proud to belong to!



Crescent City Corner

By Helen Dewey and Glenn & Nancy Anderson

Jan. 8th, 2009 the meeting was called to order by Nancy A. at Pizza King.

27 people were in attendance.

January Birthdays: Garth Goodrich, Bob Dewey, and Dan Hernandez. Bob won the raffle. We had a guest speaker - Jan Martin of the Crescent City Troop Support. Jan gave a nice presentation on what she has been doing in the past 5 years to support our troops. We raised \$318 for their efforts.

The 50/50 opportunity drawing amount was also donated by our winner Gene. We took a vote and added the Chapter's portion of the 50/50 as well, making a total of \$403.00. Thanks to everyone for being so generous!

New Members: Gene and Colleen Gurney, Linda La Marr, Beegle and his wife Jo Beegle, plus Larry and Debbie Williams Since we already have another Larry Williams at our CC meeting this is "New Larry"; many of you met him on the Orick ride. Welcome new members!

Rides!

13 bikes (15 riders) represented from Crescent City at the Polar Bear Run to Brookings!

Bob D. and Vern rode over 100 miles while over in Redding.

On Jan 13, Garth organized a ride to Gold Beach. Seven bikes and eight people from CC went – what a beautiful day!

Glenn led the ride back over Carpenterville Road. He reports that he was so jazzed about seeing a paraglider over head he almost missed the upcoming turn in the highway; Safety note, people! Keep your eyes on the road, especially when you're leading!

The back roads were rough due to the rains, and there were some cows on the road taking a stroll. We had to dodge a lot of cow pies, gravel, rocks, branches, and other road debris, but we all made it through unscathed. You know, when you are on a bike, those Oregon cows are mighty big!

On Jan 17, seven intrepid bikers from Crescent City rode to Eureka for the first Road Captain meeting of the year at our new Head Road Captain Rick Copeland's

house. A lot of valuable information was shared by all. Thanks to Rick for hosting this. After the meeting, we all went to the dealership for the new rider orientation and group riding video.

Congratulations to all the new Crescent City Road Captains: , Angel Cardoza, Bob Dewey, Garth Goodrich, Danny Hernandez, Mac Joines, and returning Road Captains – Glenn Anderson, James Hester, and Russ Rose. Thank you so much for your service and making our rides safe ones!

On Jan 18, quite a few folks from Crescent City participated in the chapter ride to Requa Overlook followed by lunch at the Palms in Orick.

On the way down, we CC people also went to Crescent Beach Overlook at the end of Enderts Beach Rd as well as Requa Overlook, so now we're calling it the "The January Overlooked Ride".

A Note from Karen & Phil

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life poker run will be on June 6th! Mark your calendar. There will be a pre-party and barbecue at their home in Gasquet the night before (June 5th). It's recommended that the Eureka folks plan to spend the night in CC, because the poker run starts fairly early Saturday morning!

A Note from Nancy

A big thank you to those who came running to my rescue when I fell after the last Eureka HOG meeting. I did indeed break my ankle in two places – ouch! My ankle flipped over and I actually heard the snap, crackle, pop noise. I am now in a cast for 6 weeks, joining my other dear casted H.O.G friends. Thank you for being so loving, caring, and quick to help. I'll see you at the next meeting!

Warm regards,

Helen Dewey - Cub Reporter and Hop-Along Nancy and Glenn

Free and easy down the rode we go...enjoy!



What We Ride



Name: Glenn Anderson

Occupation: Retired Del Norte County Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures/Animal Control Director.

Kind of Bikes- 1977 FXE Superglide-around town bike" skull bike" semi chopper/bobber, and 2002 Heritage, injected. ONLY WAY TO GO!

His wife, Nancy has her own 2007, Yellow pearl metallic Sportster L

She is learning to ride; doing better all the time. Go Girl!

Favorite Rides: Glenn says every mile on his Harley is a favorite ride. He does like hwy 199 to O'Brien, over Grayback to Happy Camp, 96 to I 5 to Ashland, old 99 to Jacksonville, Murphy Highway back to 199-I 5 to 44 out of Redding to 36 to Susanville to 395 To Reno. Hwy 101 up the coast to Canada last summer was a great ride also.

Glenn started riding mini bikes when a friend got one in 5th grade. Got his own in 7th grade. It was a Yamaha 55 trail step through with leading link front end, followed by a Yamaha 80, Yamaha 125MX, Honda 200XL and finally a Harley.

Early riding was In the Southern California desert-Apple Valley, Phelan, El Mirage, and terrorizing his own local streets.

Ladies of Harley

Upcoming LOH event details follow.

- At 10am on **February 14th** (Valentines Day), hop on your bike or drive your car on over to Cheri's house at 1851 O Street, Eureka (corner of O and Del Norte streets)
- We'll be making Valentines for a local senior retirement home, and then riding over to deliver the Valentines from 12-ish to 1 pm.
- Everyone is welcome to join us!
- We need all the help we can get, so please bring scissors, glue sticks, marking pens, bits of lace or ribbon, buttons, stickers, feathers, old magazines, and whatever else you can think of to use a decorations for the Valentines.
- This event will put some cheer in the hearts of the elderly folks and be a great chance to get a mini-ride in with your buddies! We'll ride after delivery and lunch. Ride is TBD.
- Call Cheri with any questions at 442-3191.

Games
Sweets

Valentines
Food & Fun

H.O.G.

Valentines Ride & Lunch

Sunday Feb. 15th

Ride Leaves 10:00am from
Redwood H-D with Lunch
to follow at Moonstone Grill*



Sign ups & Sample Menu
at Februarys General
Meeting (Feb 4th)

* only ride is cancelled due to rain
(come in your car)
Lunch at 11:30



Polar Bear Run Re-Cap by Phylis Geller

POLAR BEAR RUN Jan 3, 2009 was Frigid Fun!

Jerry and I are fairly certain that after today we won't be going on this ride ever again, if the temperature is not at least 45 degrees F upon departure.

9.30am: 29F in Arcata

10am: 39F in Eureka (if that)

10am to noon: The temperature fluctuated between 35 and 42 F degrees, with black ice on top of the "bypass" and frost that stayed all day on the north sides of hills.

Lovely sun everywhere else.

Can you say WIND CHILL?

It was damn cold. No mishaps.

The ride went well: Our new Sr. Road Captain Rick C. was flawless. 36 hungry HOGS enjoyed our lunch at Smuggler's in Brookings.



January 2009 General Meeting Minutes

California North Coast HOG
January General Meeting

Primary Officers Present:

Dan, Jeff, Phylis, Cindy

Discretionary Officers Present:

Glenn & Nancy, Rick C., Cheri, Pierre, Rachelle, Judy Florka, Kathleen Officers Not Present: Liz and Judy. Bill R stood in for Judy; Mark G stood in for Liz

Director:

At just about 7pm, Dan opened our meeting with thanks for electing him and giving him the chance to lead our chapter this year. He welcomed all members, new and old, to our first meeting of 2009 Business we need to tackle: We have to get some new Road Captains and we have a whole year of Activities to plan. He looks forward to another good time this year.

New Members: Charlie C got a new Street Glide.

Birthday Drawing: Congratulations to Grant!

Asst Director:

Jeff announced: NMO will be on Saturday, January 17th at 11.30am at RHD

Secretary:

Thanks members, for re-electing me to this position. I'll continue to do my best.

North Coast Big Brothers-Big Sisters "Bowl For Kids' Sake" Info from Jim Williams who will head up our BOWLING TEAMS on March 14 at Harbor Lanes Theme is "Space

Bowl"

Treasurer:

2009 Chapter Budget submitted to Membership Motion made to pass Budget, seconded and approved by Membership.

CC Asst:

Nancy remarked about having a lot of fun on the Polar Bear Run January 3rd, and announced that after frequent visits to HOG meetings in CC, several members of the Black Sheep from Brookings area shall be joining the HOG chapter, via CC. No "Second Sunday Rides" until the spring

Senior Road Captain:

Rick C. announced Road Captain Meeting at his house on Saturday, Jan 17 at 10am. If you are a current road captain or wish to become a road captain, you are requested to come to the meeting. Road Captain Requirements include: being a member of our chapter in good standing for one year, and have plans to attend a majority of our chapter rides. He will provide a new edition of the Road Captain Handbook.

Dan adds, "It's fun to be a road captain, and it's rewarding." *Immediately after this meeting the group will ride down to RHD for the NMO

Safety:

Pierre's focus this month is about winter riding and the gear you should have. Suffice to say: Wear the proper attire that will keep your head and vital organs (core) warm and protected from the

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General Meeting Minutes cont'.

wind. Your ability to control your motorcycle goes away if you get cold. If you do get cold GET OFF THE ROAD. Watch weather reports on TV in a hotel or at a campground look for their postings when you are out on the road - such as on vacation.

Membership:

Kathleen thanks members for entrusting this position to her. "When you belong to HOG, HOG belongs to you." Please renew your annual local HOG membership.

LOH:

Cheri told us about the January 2nd trip to Bandon which went well.
Jan 13th 5pm "HOG Bellies with Deva" will start up again at Cheri's. No pressure, fun and exercise.
Right after that at 6pm LOH will hold a Planning Meeting for the coming year.

Activities:

Bill stood in for Judy. Activities Planning Meeting at Judy's house, 6.30pm on Jan 14. Submit ideas by email or phone Judy if you can't make it. Chapter Ride: Sunday, 10am, January 18 Destination: TBD

Newsletter:

Mark stood in for Liz. Hope you like the new look of the newsletter. Sponsors- Please buy your ads before the end of the month or your ad will be removed in the Feb. edition

RHD:

Stephanie and Bruce thanked the chapter for inviting the staff to the Christmas party; all had a good time and enjoyed getting to visit with members. They shared info on sales promos (Sportster 'Ride Free' Promo going on 'til March 31) and service specials at least running through January 31 and maybe through February at RHD. The Custom Back "Beach Back" T Shirt is to be retired; new one coming out soon. Come and see what's new and get in on a few more sale items. See more info at the RHD web site: www.redwoodharley.com.

Other News:

BBTB planning meeting is Tuesday, January 13th at 7pm at Babe's Pizza in Cutten.

Meeting adjourned
Respectfully submitted by
Phylis Geller, Secretary

Message from Our Safety Officer

Hi, all!

Remember: If you bring your grandson or other young person to a HOG run, be sure to bring a signed permission slip from the guardian or parent. Without this form they will not be able to go on the ride. Remember to arrive early. If you come in late, you postpone departure time of the pack.

Always be alert and see everything around you; keep your eyes moving, never lock your eyes, keep them moving. Look ahead, look to the side, look in your mirrors, look over your shoulders and keep looking. Learn to anticipate oncoming traffic, the left-turning driver, the driver behind you, the parked car, the person beside you, and the vehicle moving across the lane.

At speeds under 40 miles per hour, stay two seconds behind the

car in front of you. At highway speeds, allow three to four seconds following distance.

Emergency braking- Apply both brakes to their maximum, just short of locking up. Keep the motorcycle upright and traveling in a straight line, and look where you are going not where you have been. You do not want to lock the front brake. If the tire does chip, releases the brake for a split second, then reapply without locking it up. If the rear tire locks up, do not release the brake if your handlebars are straight, you will skid in a straight line, your priority is to get stopped. Avoid braking while into a curve. If you have to, use both brakes gradually and with less force than if you are straight up. For maximum braking in an emergency with conditions permitting, stand the bike straight up, brake hard.

Ride, Eat, and Have Fun,
Papa Pierre, Safety Officer


Photos, Photos, & More Photos!




Network Center

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Calendar



February 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 General Chapter Meeting , 7 pm, Redwood Acres, Turf Room Eureka, CA	5 Crescent City Meeting , 7 pm, Pizza King Restaurant	6	7 Chapter Ride* Destination: BOOMER'S Arrive early for briefing Depart 10 am from RH-D. Questions? Call Rick at 442-3540
8	9	10	11 Activities Meeting , 6pm, Judy's House. If you have an idea to share, come! More Info/Directions, call Judy at 476-8015	12	13	14 Valentine's Day w/ LOH! Join us at Cheri's, 10 am-Noon-ish; Noon-ish to 1 pm—delivery of Valentines & late lunch. Ride* Location TBD; For more info, see the article on pg. 4.
15 Valentine's Brunch Ride** , Destination: Moonstone Grill, Arrive early for briefing Mark G. will lead ride Departure: 10am from RH-D , reservation set for 11:30 am. More Info, call	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

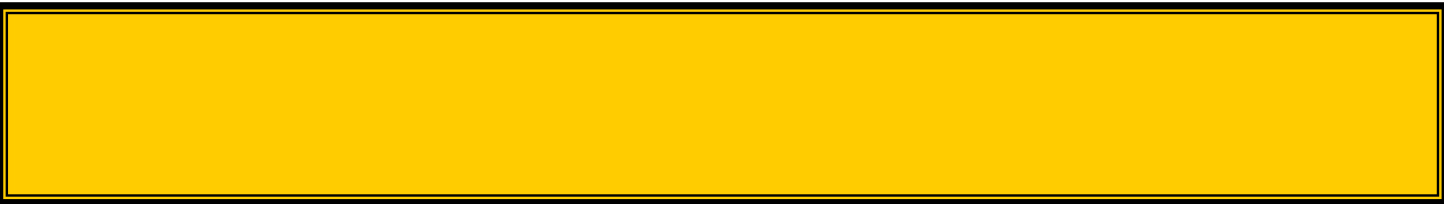
*Weather/roads permitting. **If inclement weather, arrive on your own by car

Last but Not Least

Next Meeting 7:00 pm

February 4, Redwood Acres, Eureka - February 5, Pizza King, Crescent City

Have a February Birthday? Show up at the meeting to be entered into the Birthday drawing!!!



Ladies of Harley
was designed for the women of the group to get involved with HOG
It's for all Harley women whether we ride our own bikes,
like to be chauffeured,
or have the best of both worlds!

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