



Vancouver Chapter

Harley Owners Group

Business Meeting Minutes

Saturday 3rd May 2025

The meeting was called to order by Director Marc V at 10:00 am

NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR):



**** TDMC is looking for Road Captains for Demo Day's on Saturday May 17th Demo Days, please contact vanhogdirector@gmail.com for more information and to sign-up.**

EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION

Director: Marc V, Vancouver HOG® Chapter

Are there any new members present? No

Any members present with a birthday this month? Yes, one only – Albert S

Attending: 21 (majority of the ladies were away attending IFRD)

Any members ride to the meeting today? Yes, 13 – a beautiful day for a ride

PAST EVENTS:

- **Saturday 5th April chapter meeting with the season opener ride to Legends Pub (Road Captain: Murray T (Spur), Sweep: Marc V)**

16 bikes, 18 riders approx. 110km ride

- **Sunday 13th April NV Ride and Lunch 10am from 333 Seymour Blvd (Road Captain:**

Marc V, Sweep: James L)

11 bikes, 11 riders with a photo stop at Porteau Cove, and lunch at Shady Tree in Squamish, approx. 156km ride

- **Saturday 19th April 232nd Ride and Lunch 10am from 232nd Chevron** (Road Captain Murray T (Spur), 7 bikes, 7 riders with lunch at Ladner Landing Pub
- **Sunday 27th April TDMC Ride and Lunch 10am from TDMC** (Road Captain Tracy M, Sweep Marc V)

12 bikes, 13 riders to Squamish Timberwolf Lodge for Lunch

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today's chapter meeting, followed by the chapter ride and lunch

- **International Female Ride Day – (Ladies Only) leaving TDMC, KSU 9:30am**
- **Wednesday 7th May** first Wed evening ride of the season, TDMC, KSU 6:30pm
- **Ladies Garage Night – May 8th, TDMC (ladies only) 6:00 – 10:00 pm**
- **Saturday 10th May – Mothers Day Ride, North Van, 333 Seymour Blvd, Ride and Lunch KSU 10am**
- **Sunday 18th May - Ride and Lunch 10am, 232nd Chevron, KSU 10:00 am**
- **Wednesday 21st May** Wed evening ride of the season, 333 Seymour Blvd, NV KSU 6:30pm
- **Sunday 25th May – Ride to Live 2.0, Prostate Cancer Ride** <https://www.ridetolive.ca/>
- **Saturday 31st May – Ride and Lunch, TDMC, KSU 10:00 am**

REMINDER: *Please when you sign up for an event (on FB too), we make a reservation at that venue based on those numbers. If you sign up, including on FB, and you find you can't make it after all, please do us the courtesy of letting us know... vanhogcommunication@gmail.com*

Google Calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=cWdzdjlwYWVwbjJtaGRmb2U0aGloMGJzNGdAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlMnVvbQ>

OF INTEREST TO VANCOUVER HOG® MEMBERS

VANCOUVER HOG® CHAPTER “MILEAGE CHALLENGE”:

Managed by Steve D., Asst. Director steveda@shaw.ca

- Have you updated your mileage with Steve?

SUNSHINE COAST HOG® CHAPTER NEWS

If you would like to show your support & become a member of our sister chapter, **Coast Highway Chapter, BC Canada** (Chapter #10050), applications are available at the west desk of TDMC. Cost is \$20/year for active HOG® International members.

VANCOUVER HOG® WEBSITE

See photos, events, & past meeting minutes. <https://www.trevdeeley.com/check-out-our--HOGVancouver>

VANCOUVER HOG® FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/?ref=bookmarks>

We are trying to make our Facebook page more informative and interactive for members and encourage those who haven't joined the page to do so.

Read about upcoming events, news from Trev Deeley, and news from other members.

Members can post photos, plans to meet for a ride or use it to privately message other members. *Please ask to join if you haven't already done so!*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/>

VANCOUVER HOG® BUY & SELL PAGE – (through the Facebook page)

Open to public to view but only Vancouver HOG® members can post bike-related items.

VANCOUVER HOG® INSTAGRAM @vancouverhog

CANADA HARLEY HOG WEBSITE <https://www.harley-davidson.com/ca/en/content/hog.html>

HOG® CANADA RIDE 365: *To see all the rules and how to register for this program go to the HOG® Canada Official site, follow the links to register on your own to become involved.*

<https://www.harley-davidson.com/ca/en/content/hog.html>

OFFICER REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Shawn M: We are at 85 members

FINANCE REPORT

Shawn M: Stable balance sheet

Donated \$540 to Ride to Live = \$30 / Van HOG Participant

SAFETY REPORT

Wilko V: (away - report below)

Post-Winter Hazards on the Road

Managing Slippery Surfaces – Gravel, Wet Roads & Oil Slicks

As we (finally) ease into spring riding, the roads might feel clear—but looks can be deceiving. After a long winter, many streets and highways are still littered with gravel, debris, and oil buildup, not to mention fresh potholes and cracks from frost damage. These conditions can catch even experienced riders off guard, especially in corners or during braking.

Common Spring Hazards



Gravel & Sand: Left over from winter sanding, especially at intersections, turns, and shoulder areas.



Wet Roads: Spring showers and thawing can create slippery conditions, even on warm days.



Oil Slicks: Look out for rainbow sheens—especially after light rain mixes with road residue.



Potholes & Cracks: Caused by freeze-thaw cycles, often hidden by water or shadows.

Safety Strategies

- **Slow In, Smooth Out:** Approach corners cautiously. Avoid hard braking or sudden throttle changes on uncertain surfaces.
- **Scan Ahead:** Look well beyond your front tire. Spot the shiny patch, the gravel shimmer, or the dark crack *before* you're on top of it.
- **Grip the Tank, Not the Bars:** Stay loose on the handlebars—tense arms reduce your ability to react.

- Ride the Line You Know: In curves, aim for the cleanest, most stable line. Avoid riding in the center of the lane where oil often collects.
- Brake Gently on Slippery Surfaces: Use both brakes evenly and progressively. ABS helps—but it's not magic.
- Route Planning: Be cautious on unfamiliar roads, especially rural routes or construction zones that may not be maintained yet.

Spring riding can be some of the year's most rewarding—but only if you stay alert and ride within the limits of the road conditions. ***Ride Free, Stay Safe!***

ROAD CAPTAIN REPORT

Murray (Spur) T: See ride events above.

LADIES OF HARLEY REPORT

Teresa V: (away - participating in IFRD)

- TDMC – International Female Ride Day, May 3rd
- TDMC – Ladies Garage Night, Thursday May 8th from 6:00 – 10:00 pm (register through TDMC Insta or FB page)
- Feel free to touch base if you want to ride during the week, there are quite a few of us with flexible schedules!
- Ladies Overnighter, 19th July 2025 – Clinton, BC



May question: How much has the chapter donated to Ride to Live 2.0? email vanhogcommunication@gmail.com with your answer to be entered into a prize draw.

Questions / Comments / Suggestions:

2025 Calendar Highlights:

7th May – Wednesday evening rides begin (alternate Wednesday's and locations)

8th May – TDMC Ladies Garage Night 6:00 – 10:00 pm

17th May – TDMC Demo Days ** Road Captains Needed

21st May - Wednesday evening ride (alternate Wednesday's and locations)

25th May – Ride to Live (Prostate Cancer fundraising ride), Join us for the ride, meet fellow riders, and share your passion for motorcycles while supporting a great

cause. www.ridetolive.ca Team: Vancouver HOG Chapter

7th June – Chapter Meeting

12th June – TDMC Men's Garage Night

21st June – TDMC Summer Kickoff – details to be announced

5th July – Chapter Meeting

10th – 13th July – Homecoming HD Rally – Milwaukee

19th / 20th July - Overnighter LOH Ride (Clinton, BC) contact vanhogcommunication@gmail.com

for more information

20th July TDMC – Terry Rae's First Annual Show and Shine

9th August – Chapter Meeting (due to long weekend the previous weekend) ** BUG RUN hosted by Wilko & Shawn

1st - 10th August – Sturgis Rally

22nd - 24th August – Kootenay Loop Ride (multi-chapter ride)

6th September – Chapter Meeting and Fallen Members Ride

11th, 12th, 13th – TDMC Open House

13th & 14th September – Port Alberni Toy Ride

4th October – Chapter Meeting and Season Ender Ride

4th October – TDMC Toy Drop

1st November – Chapter Meeting

29th November – TDMC Black Friday and Photo's with Santa

6th December - Chapter Meeting & Christmas Lunch

Challenges:

Alphabet Adventure - \$5 entrance fee

Time period for completion: 5th April to 30th September 2025. Everyone entered in and submitting photo proof is eligible to win a prize. This poster needs to be in the picture, with yourself and motorbike 1 -14 locations, 15 – 29 locations, 30 – 42 locations (prize allocation)

Ride to Live update

Sunday 25th May

18 VAN HOG Participants

Raised \$4320 so far (goal is \$10,000)

Van HOG has donated \$540 towards the foundation. 18 participants = \$30 will be added to your fundraising total

PRIZE DRAWS

TDMC \$25 Birthday Gift Certificate (1) for May 2025, donated by our Chapter, awarded to:

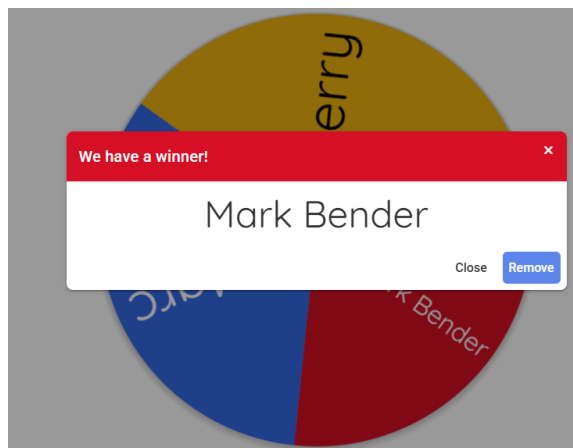
Happy Birthday Albert!

Membership Draw (x 2) winners for the month of May 2025 win a \$25 Chevron Gift Card:

Murray T (Spur) and Wendy C

Cash Draw: \$75 won by Shawn M

Random Draw: In the April 2025 minutes, I asked a question. You needed to read the minutes and reply to vanhogcommunication@gmail.com with the correct answer to the question. Only 3 people replied. A random draw was done, and congratulations to Mark Bender (you won a pair of RokStraps)



VAN HOG Vest draw: (wear your chapter insignia and be entered to win a prize at every meeting)

How many participants: 7

Lucky winner: Congrats Gary!

NEXT MEETING:

Sat. June 7th, 2025, 10:00 TDMC Followed by Vancouver HOG® Ride and Lunch

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at: quick and efficient meeting ending at 10:20am

Contact Details:

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