

Vancouver Chapter Harley Owners Group® Business Meeting – April 11, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Director Terry Sue at 10:05 am.

Who rode: About one third of the membership rode on this cold and cloudy Saturday morning!

NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES (CHAPTER SPONSOR):

Jenn - Merchandising, Trev Deeley Motorcycles®:

- Thanks given to the Chapter for the help at the Ladies Garage Party on March 25th. Six members attended (Chris, Karina, Heather, Susan, Maria and Marlene) this highly successful event attended by approximately 50 people.
- Events:
- o **BYOB (Bring Your Own Bike) Sale April 18 from 10:00 a.m.** 3:00 p.m. TDMC will open their parking lot for any members of the public who wish to sell their bikes.
- o **Test Your Metal demo day April 26 from 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.** 2015 bikes will be available at TDMC for test rides. TDMC is seeking assistance from our membership in leading designated rides for this day. See Darwin if you would like to volunteer.
- HD Knapsack giveaway still in effect. Spend \$300 or more to receive your gift.
- Sales:
- o Interest rates of 1.99% are available on all 2015 touring bikes (excluding CVO's and Trikes). See Kimberly in Sales for more info.
- \$500 down will get you a new 500 or 750 street bike. These are great starter bikes and members are encouraged to let any potential new riders know about the deal.

Aaron, Service Department, Trev Deeley Motorcycles®:

- Due to the incredible weather at the beginning of March, there was a backlog in the
 Service Department, which is now cleared, so they are staffed and ready for you!
- New techs have been hired there are now 12 available to help.
- Service Department is now open on Mondays and there will also be a staff member available on Sunday's for any emergencies that might arise with your ride, and you can drop off your bike.

Darwin, Manager, Trev Deeley Motorcycles®:

• Dale and Darwin led the first official HOG® ride of the season. Headed out at 11 am and arrived at the Station Pub for lunch around 12:30.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mar 11, 2015 – About 8 members enjoyed dinner at the Chili Pepper House on 128th Street in Surrey.

Mar 19, 2015 – Assistant Director Chris Ferguson and hubby Paul attended the 2015 HOG® Officer's Training conference in Detroit Michigan. See Chris' "Officer Report" below.

Mar 25, 2015 – Ladies Garage Party at TDMC. As reported above, it was a very successful event with about 50 people attending, including six female members of the HOG® Vancouver Chapter.

Mar 29, 2015 – Red's Garage Party at TDMC. Was successful considering the heavy rain that day. There were people lined up prior to opening with many sales. TDMC will be doing another sale in the Fall of this year. Details to be provided at a future meeting.

Apr 11, 2015 – HOG® Vancouver Chapter Meeting, official membership photo, and first ride of the season.

NEW BUSINESS:

Apr 19, 2015 – HOG® Ride – tour the North Shore with Larry. Leaving TDMC at 10:00 a.m.

Apr 25, 2015 – Bowling at Lucky Strike Lanes in New Westminster – 7 PM – Prizes for High (Ladies and Men), and Low (Ladies and Men) – The cost of two games and your shoes will be approximately \$10 - \$12 per person. The lanes are located at 1205 6th Ave, New Westminster, BC V3M 2C1, at the corner of 6th Avenue and 12th Street in New Westminster on the bottom floor under the Thirsty Duck Pub. A Sign-up sheet was circulated at today's meeting. If you were not in attendance and would like to attend, please contact Maria as soon as possible at vanactivities@gmail.com. Let's get out, have fun bowling with your fellow members and support your chapter.

Apr 26, 2015 – TDMC Demo Days – see info above.

Apr 26, 2015 – Classic and Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet, Cloverdale Agriplex, 62nd Avenue, Surrey. This is the one that used to be held in Tswwassen.

May 1, 2015 – International Female Ride Day

May 2, 2015—International Female Ride Day RIDE; from The Shop in Vancouver at 11am.

May 2, 2015 - HOG® Vancouver Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Trev Deeley Motorcycles

May 24, 2015 – Wounded Warriors Charity Ride. Signup at 9:00 a.m.; ride leaves at 10:00 a.m. from the Greater Vancouver Motorcycle Club's Clubhouse (#307 – 9785 - 192nd Street, Surrey). \$20 per person with all proceeds to Wounded Warriors Weekend. Includes continental breakfast at the Clubhouse and ending with dinner (by donation) at the Vedder Legion in

Chilliwack. For additional information, contact Jim Sloat at 604-888-8152 or email gymc.ca@shaw.ca.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Chris Ferguson, Assistant Director:

- Attended the HOG® Officers Training Conference in Detroit, Michigan March 21-23, 2015 at the GM Complex. Over 800 attendees from Canada and the US participated, including 5 Langley members and 2 Kelowna members. Sean Wilkinson in Marketing/Promotions also attended.
- There was a choice of several seminars to attending, from attracting and retaining members; encouraging members to become officers; keeping retired officers involved and utilizing their experience; dealing with disgruntled officers who may cause problems within a chapter; seminars on social media, websites, Twitter, Facebook, etc.
- Chris attended one on how to create great rides. She will prepare and circulate information for road captains and the general membership.
- She also visited two dealerships in the Detroit area with the Langley and Kelowna officers.
- Chris will post some pics on the HOG® Vancouver Chapter Facebook page.

Maria, Activities Officer

- May 3, 2015 Sunday ride leaving TDMC at 10:00 a.m. To the Wildcat Grill in Rosedale. Dale will be leading this ride.
- June 13, 2015 The <u>destination</u> for the June 13 ride, originally to Egmont, BC, **has been changed** details to be advised at the June meeting.
- June 27 & 28, 2015 The Ogopogo run originally scheduled for June 26, 27 and 28 has been changed. This will now be a TWO DAY ride to Egmont, BC on June 27 and 28. Those joining in will stay at a hotel in Egmont on the Saturday night (info will be sent shortly about hotels), then riders have the option of leaving for home on the Sunday, or riding up and around the area, possibly to Powell River. Will leave from TDMC on Saturday, June 27th, probably around 9:00 a.m. **DETAILS TO FOLLOW**.

Derek, Safety Officer

• Provided brief information relating to group rides and distances recommended (i.e., 1 second left/right and 2 seconds in front), noting that it is illegal to ride side by side in BC and police can cite you for infraction at their discretion. If any members have questions about group rides and formations, etc., talk with Derek.

Leif Erickson – spoke about the importance of eye wear to prevent injury and/or vision loss. He provided 6 pairs of safety glasses for sale at \$10/each with all proceeds going towards the Burn Camp.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Door prizes donated by TDMC, were won by: Chris, Dale and Darryl.

The next Chapter meeting will be **Saturday, May 2nd** at 10 am in the TDMC Conference room. Ride to follow!