



Vancouver Chapter Harley Owners Group

Business Meeting – May 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Director Chris Ferguson at 10:00 am.

Who rode: More than 3/4 of our members rode in the sunshine today!

New Members: Welcome to our newest members, Tammy Bade.

Guest: Happy to welcome “Ton” to our meeting. He just purchased a Softail Slim from TDMC and is the Director of a HOG Chapter in Holland!

NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR):

Kyle, Trev Deeley Motorcycles®

- **Sunday, April 24** – On behalf of TDMC, Kyle thanked all our HOG® Chapter members who helped out with their “Test our Metal” demo day on April 24th. Much of the day's success was because of our volunteers. Approximately 70 bikes went out and some sales resulted from the day.
- **Sunday, September 25** – TDMC's Fall “Test Our Metal” demo day has been scheduled, and the dealership is looking to hold the event in Squamish – possibly Chances Casino parking lot or the Sea-To-Sky Gondola parking lot. More details will follow once a location is confirmed.
- **Saturday, May 7** – Today is International Female Rider Day AND Mother's Day weekend, so it is great to see so many female riders out and about!
- **Friday, May 13* and Saturday, May 14** – from 2:00 – 6:00 pm on the 13th and from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm on the 14th, the Burnaby RCMP will be holding their annual Motorcycle Safety Skills challenge event at the Burnaby Lake Rugby Club Parking lot. TDMC will be there with a bike and some product showcasing rider safety gear. Be sure to come by. Get there early to sign up for the challenges. ***NOTE: May 13 is for FEMALE RIDERS ONLY.**
- **Sunday, May 29** – the Ride to Live for Prostate Cancer is fast approaching. If you still haven't registered, you can go online at ridetolive.ca. TDMC has confirmed that Chris Gailus (CTV) will be the emcee at the event this year.

- **Sunday, June 12** – TDMC will be hosting their 20th Annual Trev Deeley Show and Shine. If you are interested in picking up a poster to display, please contact Kyle and he will print some off. Additionally, for the first time, TDMC has confirmed that Steamworks Brewing will be hosting a Beer Garden at this year's Show N' Shine. **Your Vancouver HOG Chapter will be hosting the BBQ and 50/50 draw that date. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS FERGUSON at director@vancouverbccaadachapter.com.**
- As many of you are aware, the fires in Fort McMurray have resulted in thousands of people being displaced and losing everything. TDMC is looking to set up a charity event to raise money for the victims. If you have any thoughts on the matter or would like to volunteer for the event, please let Kyle or Chris know. A Charity ride on May 21st is currently being considered. Visit the TDMC website and Facebook for more details.
- TDMC Service Department is now open at 8:00 am Monday to Friday for early drop off if you are having work done on your bike.

MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR CHRIS FERGUSON:

1. **Metallic Art Raffle** – a draw was held today for the metal motorcycle artwork. The winning ticket number **0119418** was drawn and will be posted on both the TDMC and HOG® Vancouver websites. If you have the winning number, please contact Chris!
2. Your Chapter still needs volunteers for **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR**, **ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR** AND **HISTORIAN** (as noted previously, our photographer Gary has stepped in to help out as an interim Historian, but we really need someone to fill this spot. **PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR CHAPTER BY VOLUNTEERING AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE TEAM!** Contact Chris to let her know how YOU can help!
3. The order to purchase **HOG® metal name tags** (silver with two pins on the back) has been put in. Anticipate they will be here for the June meeting.
4. The **Western Regional HOG® Rally in Chilliwack July 14, 15 & 16**. The rally is fast approaching and if you are planning on attending and staying in Chilliwack, you need to book your rooms as soon as possible. The Best Western is already FULL and the Coast is filling fast. You can register for the rally at www.westernregionalrally.hog.com. The cost for the Rally is \$70. This covers the Cinema and meal on Thursday night, the Dinner/Dance on Friday Night (BC/DC), the closing ceremonies and Dance (Tainted Lovers) on Saturday Night, and a Rally Pin.

Also, they are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** for the event to assist leading/sweeping the “Guided Rides” on Friday and Saturday. Friday the ride goes to Fort Langley, Saturday the ride goes to Hell's Gate. They also need volunteers in Registration, Security, setup, take down, and assisting Rally attendees with the self-guided rides – in other words, showing people from out of the Lower mainland our beautiful roads and points of interest. Please contact the committee and let them know how you can help by visiting the Volunteer section at the above website.

5. **Kamloops Poker Run (May 27 and 28)** – a block of rooms has been reserved at the Super 8 Motel on Hugh Allen Drive – call soon to reserve your spot as there are very limited rooms still available. Also, Juanita, Roy and Gerald still have tickets for the bike raffle at the Rally for \$20 each (1st prize – 2016 Heritage Softail; 2nd prize – 750cc water-cooled city bike; 3rd prize \$2500 cash. Only 3400 tickets will be printed, so get yours early!
6. **Rider Safety Quiz** – a 15 question, multiple choice quiz on motorcycle safety was sent out electronically to all members. The member with the most correct answers was our Historian, Doug Miller.
7. **BC Professional Firefighters' Burn Camp** – There are no official HOG® rides this year, however if you wish to donate to the camp (as in the past) you may still do so by placing your donation in an envelope and dropping it off at TDMC. Please remember to put your name and address on the envelope. Donations of \$50 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt from the Burn Camp Fund.
8. **Fort McMurray Disaster Relief Fund** – after discussion with the membership, it was decided that your Chapter would not make an official donation as a group, but encouraged individual members to contribute, with the Red Cross being recommended as they will provide a 100% match of all contributions.
9. **BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse)** – This organization will be hosting their “**100 Mile Ride**” on May 21st. Registration is at 9:30 a.m., with the ride leaving Tim Horton's in Coquitlam (1450 United Boulevard) at 11:30. Rider fee is \$10 or \$15 with a passenger. There will be live music, free coffee and donuts before the ride, raffle prizes and a draw, with a lunch promo (\$20 for a Burger and Beer) at Mickey's.
10. **Friday, May 13** – Okanagan Motorcycle Ride out of Summerland Legion. Check online for details.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Thursday, April 14** – HOG® Dinner was held at the “Red Racer Pub”, 871 Beatty Street, Vancouver. About 12 members showed up to enjoy burgers, pizza and appies. Parking was at a minimum so the transit system (sea bus, bus, Skytrain) was utilized by almost everyone. Thank you to everyone who attended!
- **Sunday, April 17** – HOG® Ride – about 14 members, led by member Larry Davidson, left TDMC at 10:00 am. And rode up to Whistler, then back to Squamish for lunch.
- **Saturday, April 23** - “**Bowling Challenge**” 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Vancouver Chapter challenged the Langley and Tri-City Chapters. Unfortunately, only 5 Langley members attended along with 11 of our Vancouver members. Men's High went to Richard (Langley); Men's Low went to Don (Vancouver); Women's High went to Tracey (Vancouver); Women's Low went to Sharon (Vancouver). We enjoyed pizza and beverages and had a fun time with the Crazy Bowling. We are hoping to get more attendance next year at a different location.

- **Sunday, April 24 – Trev Deeley's "Test our Metal" Demo Ride Day.** See notes above. The weather cooperated and we were able to enjoy a "Rain Free" day!
- **Sunday, May 1** – Annual Classic & Vintage Swap Meet – Cloverdale Agriplex, Surrey, BC. One Vancouver Chapter H.O.G. member

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Saturday, May 7 – HOG® Meeting** – 10:00 a.m. At TDMC. There will be a ride following the meeting (11:15 "kick stands up") for lunch heading out to Harrison Hot Springs. In recognition of "International Female Ride Day" HOG® member Karina will lead this ride. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME. Also, our Annual Chapter Photo followed the meeting in front of the Museum.
- **Sunday, May 15th - HOG® Ride** – 10:00 a.m. Leaving from TDMC. Destination TBA.
- **Wednesday, May 18th - HOG® - 1st Evening Ride of the season.** Leaving from TDMC at 7:00 pm. Ride will be cancelled in the event of rain.
- **Wednesday, May 25th - HOG® Evening Ride** – Ride leaves from Tim Horton's, 8590 - 200th Street, Langley (just south of Barnes HD). Destination TBD. Ride will be cancelled in the event of rain.
- **Friday and Saturday, May 27th and 28th – Kamloops MDA Poker ride.** Visit www.kamhog.com for details/registration.
- **Saturday, May 28th – Ride to Live for Prostate Cancer - Pre-Registration Day.**
- **Sunday, May 29th - Ride to Live for Prostate Cancer.** Ride leaves TDMC at 9:00 am sharp. See above for details.
- **Wednesday, June 1st - HOG® Evening Ride** 7:00 pm; rides leaves from Tim Horton's on 200th Street in Langley. Destination TBD – ride will be cancelled in the event of rain.
- **Saturday, June 4th – Vancouver Chapter HOG® Meeting** – 10:00 a.m., TDMC Conference room; lunch ride following the meeting – location TBD.
- **Saturday, June 12th – TDMC SHOW N SHINE 10 AM TO 3 PM** – looking for volunteers from the chapter to help out with the BBQ and 50/50 sales. Please let Chris or Kyoko know if you are available to volunteer.
- **June 25 & 26 – Two day Okanagan ride**, staying overnight at Cache Creek. More details to follow at the June meeting. Ride will go to Cache Creek on first day, then over the Duffy Lake Road on the second day. Ride to be led by road captain Larry.
- **September 9-11 – Three - Five Day Kootenay Ride** - times, hotels and route are currently being planned and will be announced at the June meeting. Darcy and Karina will be leading this ride.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Assistant Director, Maria, attended the HOG HOT Training in Las Vegas in April. She reported on great discussions on how to increase membership, how to embrace new membership, and how to keep interest alive within the Chapter. They also discussed new activity ideas – for example, one chapter did a cook off against other dealerships with the winner of each dealership going in a final round. The final winner got a trophy and bragging rights.

Member Craig spoke about the successful MLA ride to Victoria on April 25th. About 14 bikes boarded the ferry and rode to the capital in beautiful, sunny weather. The local BMW dealership provided a free BBQ. He is hopeful that the Harley dealership in Victoria will participate in hosting this in future.

GUEST ANNOUNCEMENT:

Greg of the Langley HOG® Chapter provided updated information about the music video being done by member Tara Mains, to honour her 20 year journey as a cancer survivor. Part of the video incorporating motorcycles will be filmed in Merritt on Sunday, May 15th. Greg and some other members will be riding up leaving Barnes HD at 9:00 a.m., weather permitting. If any of our members are interested in participating, please contact Greg at "gregridesHD@gmail.com". All proceeds from the video will go to cancer research.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Door prizes, donated by the Chapter, were won by Mike, Shad and Deb.