

Vancouver Chapter Harley Owners Group Business Meeting – February 7, 2015

The meeting came to order by Terry Sue at 10:05 am.

New Members: There was one new members today – welcome Tim!

Who rode: One member rode to the meeting today.

NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES (CHAPTER SPONSOR):

Darwin - Manager, TDMC:

- Dates have been confirmed for "Test Your Metal" demo days: April 26 and October 18, 2015.
- Working on also having an additional demo day in Squamish, possibly August 8 or 9.
 Details will be provided at a later meeting.
- Harley Davidson will have a new CEO as of May 2015 Matt Levetich. Matt has been with H-D for 20 years and has both an engineering and retail background.

Sean – Marketing & Promotions, TDMC:

- Currently recruiting for volunteers for the new male riders Boot Camp on February 28th. **Anyone interested, please contact Sean at TDMC**
- TDMC is participating in the International Jazz Festival, displaying bikes, etc.
- TDMC will be supporting a new charity BC's Toughest Men Nowhere to Go
- Low financing and prices still available on 2014 models
- New "streets" are now on the floor
- TDMC offering double rewards points from February 10-15

OLD BUSINESS:

Jan 10, 2015 – Annual Chapter 2015 Renewal Party – 88 memberships were renewed and 8 free memberships were awarded. Refreshments were provided by your Chapter.

Jan 14, 2015 – Dinner – My Greek Taverna, New Westminter; 16 members attended.

Jan 23-25, 2015 – Annual Vancouver Motorcycle Show – Tradex Centre, Abbotsford. Several members attended this event.

Feb 7, 2015 – Vancouver H.O.G.® Meeting – 10 AM – Trev Deeley Motorcycles Conference Room. A "Full Officer's Meeting" followed in the Conference Centre.

Feb 9, 2015 – Trev Deeley Motorcycles will be closed Monday, Feb 9 for Family Day.

Feb 15, 2015 – Brunch at the Jolly Coachman, 19167 Ford Road (off Harris Road) in Pitt Meadows. Be there before 11:00 a.m as it will be very busy. To date 25 members have signed up.

NEW BUSINESS:

Feb 28, 2015 – TDMC is hosting MOTORCYCLE BOOT CAMP™ from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. This program is specifically tailored to men who have yet to start riding and answers questions about how to get started and offering sessions on subjects such as the basics of motorcycling, Harley-Davidson® Factory Customization, motorcycling gear, and the Harley-Davidson® motorcycle model families, in a fun and vibrant group atmosphere.

Learning session stations will be set up in the store and will include a JUMPSTART™ simulator session, encouraging potential riders to hop on a bike, start the engine, switch gears, and feel the rumble of their first "test ride".

RSVP by emailing events@trevdeeley.com or by called Sean at 604-291-2453.

March 7, 2015 – Next Chapter meeting at 10:00 a.m.; Road Captains will meet following this meeting to identify planned routes for rides. NOTE: Members are asked to submit suggestions on ride routes for the coming year to "roadcaptain@vancouverbccanadachapter.com".

March 11, 2015 – Dinner originally scheduled at My Greek in Sapperton has been CHANGED to the Chili Pepper House, 2790 - 128th Street, Surrey at 7:00 p.m. A sign up sheet will be circulated at the March 7 meeting. If you are planning on attending, but will not be at the March 7th meeting, please send an email to "activities@vancouverbccanadachapter.com"

March 19, 2015 - HOG Officer Training Conference to be held in Detroit, March 19, 20 & 21. Our Assistant Director, Chris Ferguson, will be attending.

March 22, 2015 – Monroe, Washington Swap Meet; 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

March 25, 2015 – Ladies Garage Party for new female riders. Volunteers from the Vancouver H.O.G.® Chapter would be appreciated. Talk to Chris if you are interested in participating.

April 26, 2015 – Tswwassen Swap Meet is now being held in Cloverdale at the "red barn".

- New membership cards are ready for pick up for those who have not yet received them.
 See Kyoko at front desk, TDMC
- Information available for all members on Vancouver H.O.G.® Chapter Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/ Go have a look!

Chris provided information about the Ladies of Harley Summit that will take place in Langley on September 18, 19 and 20, 2015 at the Holiday Inn Express. There will be a number of workshops and seminars specifically tailored to female riders. The \$55 registration fee will include lunch provided by Barnes Harley-Davidson and dinner at the Holiday Inn Express. There will be door prizes and lots of fun activities. More information and registration can be done at their website "www.lohsummitcan2015.com". Or talk to Chris if you have any questions.

Terry advised that the 2015 Christmas Party will be a collaboration of all four Lower Mainland Chapters, likely to be held at the Northview Golf & Country Club in Surrey and accommodations at a local hotel in Cloverdale, complete with shuttle buses. More details at a later date.

GUESTS:

Terry Rae, representative of the BC Coalition of Motorcyclists, provided information about the organization, who are celebrating their 30 Year Anniversary this year. Members are encouraged to join this group who are the lobbyists in BC for motorcycle riders. Items they are currently working on includes lane sharing (or "lane splitting" as some may know the term) and floating licenses that will allow riders with more than one bike to use one plate on their bikes. There are forms available from Terry for those who wish to join, or email the group at office@bccom-bc.com. Also, check out their website at www.bccom-bc.com for full information on this important group.

Greg Huot, HOG Langley Chapter, spoke of their August 15th "Amazing Race" in recognition of their anniversary this year. The ride will be followed by a free BBQ. They may be starting at TDMC and heading towards Langley. Further details will be provided at a later date.

Russ St. Eloi, Director and founding member of the Association for Injured Motorcyclists (AIM) advised of the dance they are hosting on **Saturday**, **March 21**st at the Sangham Palace, 11267 – 125A Street, Surrey. This dance was formerly put on by a group of independent riders. Tickets are \$12. There is a band and reasonably priced beverages and food. All are encouraged to attend! Contact Russ for tickets – <u>info@aimvancouver.com</u> or call 604-580-0114.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Door prizes donated by Vancouver H.O.G.® Chapter were won by: Pat, Steve, Brian and Gary.

The next Chapter meeting will be **Saturday, March 7th** at 10 am in the Conference room.