

## **Vancouver Chapter Harley Owners Group**

## **Special ZOOM Edition**

# **Business Meeting Minutes August 8, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Director, Lyn Hart at 10:05 am.

## **NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR):**

Presented by **HARMONY POISSON** Manager, Marketing and Events

#### **Events:**

- September 13th Test Our Metal/Demo Truck Event 10-4
- Test ride the H-D fleet from 10 3
- Enjoy in-store activities, a food truck (Mr. Tube Steak) & prizes.
- Our store will be open 10am 4:30pm on that Sunday only!
  - Would HOG® like to have an info table?
  - Bring Your Own Bike Program

#### Programs;

- Summer Finance Rate -3.99%, 10% down, w/ESP, O.A.C. till Aug. 31st
- Service Free Mechanic Gnome Program Free with every Scheduled Mileage
   Maintenance Service performed, your choice of a boy or girl Mechanic Gnome. See instore for further details. Promotion starts tomorrow August 7th, while supplies last
- See the PNE Lottery 2020 Lowrider Prize bike in our Showroom.

#### **New Products:**

- Muller Lower Kits now in Stock at parts counter
- 2 new Mechanic Gnomes & 6 new Dixxon shirts & hoodie Products in Merchandise

#### **Staff News**

- New Apprentice Technician Chericce Bermel
- H-D Stuart Wells turns 50 on Tuesday!

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION**

**LYN HART** *Director, Vancouver HOG® Chapter* 

## Welcome to our August monthly HOG® meeting by ZOOM!

With the increase in COVID cases in the past couple of weeks & in consideration of our member's health, we thought it best to continue meeting by Zoom for our August meeting & reassess for September. Members will be notified each month.

#### No new members were present at the meeting

#### Vancouver HOG® Commemorative Newsletter

To celebrate our chapter's 32<sup>nd</sup> birthday (July 15, 1988), a committee was formed to put together a commemorative newsletter that showed some history of the chapter's past. The committee only had about 6 weeks to gather material & put it together, a huge task to be sure!

Members were asked for any contributions of stories, photos, or articles of interest, and a few dug into the attic to pull out some old memories.

The Chapter wishes to thank the committee members for putting together a wonderful memento for our chapter:

Henry Wong, Norm Hill, Meg Andersen, Chris Ferguson, & Doug Miller.

Thanks also go out to those who contributed material:

Patrick Weitemeyer, Gerry Rooyakkers, Jim Gilligan, Darwin Osarchuk & Lyn Hart.

A digital copy of the newsletter was emailed to all members & printed copies are available in the HOG® lounge area at TDMC.

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#### **REVIEW OF PAST EVENTS**

Nice to see the tremendous turnouts from members on our rides!

Sun. July 5 HOG® Ride & Lunch 10:00 TDMC to Harrison's Old Settler's Pub, 222 Cedar Ave.

Beautiful day! Great turnout of 18 bikes, 23 riders! Thanks to Albert Schulz for leading!

## Wed. July 8 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride TDMC 7:00

13 bikes/14 riders rode through Delta & headed to Frankie G's Pub in New West. Thanks to Dale Janzen for leading!

**Sat. July 11 HOG® Chapter Birthday Ride Lunch & Ice Cream** 10:00 TDMC to Dukes Pub followed by birthday ice cream at Birchwood Dairy.

Ride was changed to the following day, **Sunday**, **July 12**<sup>th</sup>, because of weather. Turned out to be a good decision. An excellent turnout of 23 bikes/25 riders on a dry, sunny day. After lunch 16 members carried on to Birchwood Dairy to enjoy ice cream courtesy of Vancouver HOG® Chapter. Thanks to Dale Janzen for leading!

Wed. July 15 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride LANGLEY Tim Hortons Langley 7:00

Our birthday ride saw another fantastic turnout of 23 bikes/24 riders which included 2 newer members & 4 guests from Freewheelin' Women's MC Club. Stopped at Murrayville Pub in Langley for birthday wings courtesy of Vancouver HOG® Chapter. Thanks to Albert Schulz for leading!

Sat. July 18 HOG® Poker Run to Boston Bar 9:00 CHEVRON 232<sup>nd</sup> & Hwy 1.

A spectacular day for our poker run! 24 bikes/28 people starting off in Langley, then lunched at Canyon Alpine Restaurant in Boston Bar.

Best hand - 3 kings: Dale Janzen. Runner up - 3 tens: Lyn Hart.

Worst hand - nuthin: Dan, from FV HOG Chapter.

Thanks to our great team of road captains: Dale Janzen, Rick Bade, Lou Chilton, Larry Davidson, Albert Schulz & Doug Miller. Big thanks to Rick & Tammy who did all the poker chip handling & final tally!

## Wed. July 22 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride TDMC 7:00

9 bikes joined the ride The Rose & Crown Pub in Tsawwassen. Thanks to Doug Miller for leading!

- Sun. July 26 HOG® Ride & Lunch 10:00 TDMC to Wildcat Grill, 52845 Yale Rd. Rosedale HOT & sunny! 14 bikes, 16 riders rode some fine back roads to lunch then many went for ice cream at Birchwood Dairy. Thanks to Gary Monts for leading!
- Wed. July 29 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride LANGLEY Tim Hortons Langley 7:00

  About 15 bikes went on winding, scenic ride through Langley and Aldergrove.

  Thanks to Albert & Darwin for leading!

- **Sun. Aug 2 HOG® Ride & Lunch** 10:00 TDMC to Jolly Miller Pub 5865 Vedder Rd, Chilliwack. 9 bikes/11 riders headed out on a beautiful day for riding. Thanks to Albert Schulz for leading!
- Wed. Aug 5 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride LANGLEY Tim Hortons Langley 7:00

  11 bikes/14 riders rode through Langley and Fort Langley to the Artful Dodger
  Pub. Thanks to Albert for leading!

#### **NEW BUSINESS 2020**

The position of **Assistant Director** for the chapter is open for 2021. If you are interested in volunteering for this position, please contact Lyn for an explanation of what the job entails. All those interested will be carefully considered.

#### **ORGANIZED RIDES DURING COVID**

COVID numbers in BC have risen in the past few weeks & we should remember that social distancing must still be observed on rides. You may personally believe there's no concern but please respect everyone else's personal space. If someone asks you to take a step away, don't be offended, it's their right. If you still choose to ignore social distancing on rides & are making other members uncomfortable, you'll be asked to find another group to ride with.

Most venues we're visiting are seating no more than 6 at a table, providing hand sanitizer & following health recommendations adequately. If you're uncomfortable entering an establishment, you can choose to bring your own lunch & sit outdoors away from people, or, you don't have to stay at all. Just let your road captain know.

Please keep bikes in a staggered formation when stopped at lights & distance yourself from each other when off the bikes. Everyone is advised to bring your own personal PPE such as masks, disposable gloves, safety glasses, & hand sanitizer.

#### **Wednesday Evening Rides!**

Leaving from TDMC on even days, and Tim Hortons Langley on odd days. Reminders will be sent out as usual.

#### **PLANNED RIDES FOR AUGUST**

- Sun. Aug 9 HOG® Ride & Lunch 10:00 TDMC to Lou's Grill 2852 Gladys Ave. Abbotsford. Weather permitting.
  - Venue was not taking reservations
- Wed. Aug 12 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride TDMC 7:00 Destination TBD. Weather permitting.
- Sat. Aug 15 HOG® ButtBuster Ride to Penticton 8:00 CHEVRON 232<sup>nd</sup> & Hwy 1 Destination: Doug's Homestead, 224 Hwy 97, Kaleden, BC. Weather permitting.

  Please RSVP on the Facebook event page or to Tammy at ommatammybade@yahoo.ca or so we can reserve enough seating.
- Wed. Aug 19 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride LANGLEY Tim Hortons Langley 7:00 Destination TBD. Weather permitting.
- Sun. Aug 23 HOG® Ride & Lunch 9:00 TDMC to Mile One Eating House
  7330 Arbutus St #7, Pemberton. Weather permitting.

  Please RSVP on the Facebook event page or to Tammy at

  ommatammybade@yahoo.ca or so we can reserve enough seating.
- Wed. Aug 26 HOG® Wednesday Evening Ride TDMC 7:00 Destination TBD. Weather permitting.
- Sat. Aug 29 HOG® Ride & Lunch 10:00 TDMC to Mission Springs Brewing Company 7160 Oliver St Suite #200, Mission. Weather permitting.

  Please RSVP on the Facebook event page or to Tammy at ommatammybade@yahoo.ca or so we can reserve enough seating.

Check the Facebook page & your email for weather updates and watch for HOG® POP-UP Rides during the week. Anyone can organize a POP-UP Ride, just post details on the Facebook page. These are spontaneous & irregular, which makes them kind of fun!

• 2020 WESTERN REGIONAL HOG® RALLY in Langley, scheduled for Aug. 6-8, 2020, has been cancelled. People who have already registered with this event should expect to receive refunds & are asked to be patient.

## Message from the HOG® Rally Committee in Langley:

The Committee is considering creating a COVID patch and a Rally t-shirt specifically for the missed rallies in 2020 because of COVID. Because of the high initial outlay for digital artwork we would like to get an idea of the level of potential interest of HOG® members in the area (not yet pre-ordering). We will be using the we've already created. Please contact Theresa if you'd be interested in purchasing any of these items:

Theresa Roth 604-355-4747 email: theresaroth@shaw.ca

• 14th PRAIRIE REGIONAL HOG® RALLY in Calgary, scheduled for Aug. 27-29, 2020 has been cancelled. People who have already registered with this event should expect to receive refunds & are asked to be patient.

#### **HOG® WEBSITE**

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, especially now that we are distanced. Vancouver HOG® events & rides are posted for 2020 & the Facebook calendar will be more up to date & useful for members to use (even if it's cancelled (:))

We want to make this page a valuable tool for members to read about upcoming events, news from Trev Deeley, and news from other members. Anyone 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!* <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/</a>

## **BUY & SELL PAGE** – (through the Facebook page)

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

#### **HOG® MEMBER NAME TAGS**

If you are interested in purchasing a HOG® name tag, we can put an order in for a minimum of 12 names. Your Vancouver HOG® Chapter partially subsidizes the cost of name tags so that each member pays only \$10.00.

Currently 8 names on list, a minimum order of 12 is required. If you'd like to order a name tag, please give \$10 cash to Kyoko at the TDMC west desk & she will put your name & info on the list.

### OTHER CANCELLED / POSTPONED OR CHANGED BIKER-RELATED EVENTS (Announced to date)

- International Female Ride Day Sat. May 2 Postponed to Sat. Aug 22.
- Squamish Motorcycle Festival August 2020 Cancelled.
- Westcoast MC Ride to Live Sun. May 31 Postponed to September.

Register here: https://www.ridetolive.ca/

Raffle tickets still available at <a href="https://www.ridetolive.ca/raffle">https://www.ridetolive.ca/raffle</a>.

- Port Alberni Toy Run Sat. Sept 19 Changed.
   Donations by "Drive-by" 1:00-4:00. Location TBA.
- Oyster Run 2020 Anacortes, WA Sun. Sept 27 Cancelled.
- North Cascades Harley-Davidson, Burlington, WA Closing July 31, 2020.
- Fraser Valley Toy Run Sept 13, 2020 Cancelled.

## **SAFETY REPORT**

RICK BADE Safety Officer, Vancouver HOG® Chapter

Everyone is advised to bring your own personal PPE such as masks, disposable gloves, safety glasses, hand sanitizer & toilet paper. Social distancing should be observed on rides where possible.

#### PREPARING TO RIDE

Making sure that your motorcycle is fit for the road is just as important as practicing safe riding. Should something be wrong with your motorcycle, it will be in your best interest to find out prior to hitting the road.

To make sure that your motorcycle is in good working order, check the following:

• **Tires:** Check for any cracks or bulges, or signs of wear in the treads (low tire pressure or any defects could cause a blowout).

- Under the motorcycle: Look for signs of oil or gas leaks.
- **Headlight, taillight and signals**: Test for high and low beams (make sure that all lights are functioning).
- Hydraulic and Coolant fluids: Level should be checked weekly.

Once you've mounted the motorcycle, complete the following checks:

- Clutch and throttle: Make sure they are working smoothly (throttle should snap back when released).
- Mirrors: Clean and adjust all mirrors to ensure sharpest viewing.
- **Brakes:** Test front and rear brakes (each brake should feel firm and hold the motorcycle still when fully applied).
- Horn: Test the horn.

Don't assume that a driver can see you, as nearly two-thirds of all motorcycle accidents are caused by a driver violating a rider's right-of-way. You should always ride with your headlights on; stay out of a driver's blind spot; signal well in advance of any change in direction; and watch for turning vehicles.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS**

Ride Defensively!

Call out to all officers for updates.

Treasurer Report; Current funds in Vancouver HOG account \$4553.00

Membership Report; 133 Members / 25 New

Questions, comments from me	embers?	

## **DOOR PRIZE DRAW**

2 TDMC \$25 Gift Certificates, donated by the Chapter, awarded to:

## **Steve Davis & Steve Webb**

Door Prize Winners will receive a \$25 credit on their TDMC account.

BIRTHDAY DRAW winner for the month of August: Russ St. Eloi

Birthday Draw Winner will be given a \$15 Gift Card from Tim Horton's.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 10:58

NEXT MEETING: Sat. September 5, 2020 10:00 am

If meeting is via ZOOM, you'll be sent an email with the meeting link to join.