



**Vancouver Chapter  
Harley Owners Group**

**Business Meeting Minutes  
January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

*The meeting was called to order by Director, Marc Varty, at 10:03 am.*

**NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR): Carrie Elmes (TDMC Sales Supervisor) and Geoffrey Gauthier (Promotions and Events Coordinator)**

**Trev Deeley Motorcycles info, events, and promotions.**

**From the Service Department:**

In January, the service department at Trev Deeley is offering a free 1-hour inspection of your Harley Davidson.

The inspection will cover all safety and maintenance items of your bike which can give you peace of mind for the upcoming riding season or could be used to save you money when trading your bike in for a new 2024 upgrade.

Call the service department today to book an appointment.

**From the MotorClothes Department:**

The Boxing Week sales may have moved out of the conference room, but the great prices are still available on all our sale racks throughout the showroom. Come and see us!

**From the Parts Department:**

This January, Parts is keeping the sales going with up to 90% off select parts! Please come by the tables in Parts and check out the deals!

**From the Motorcycle Sales and Financing Departments:**

From January 2024 – Dec 31, 2024, Harley Davidson Financial Services (HDFS) has a low APR starting at 3.99% with 10% down with the purchase of a HD Extended Service Plan for 60 months on certain remaining 2022 and all 2023 models.

There is also a Dealer Credit that can be combined with the above financing rates for up to \$3,000 on certain motorcycles!! Lots of deals to be had. See the sales department for more details.

**Other info, upcoming events, and promotions:**

Moto Canada presents the return of the Vancouver Motorcycle and Powersports show for 2024!  
Join us in Abbotsford at the Tradex from Friday January 12 – Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Drop by the Harley-Davidson Canada booth to see what's new for 2024.



**EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION**

**Marc Varty** Director, Vancouver HOG® Chapter

***Are there any new members present? NO***

***Any members present with a birthday this month? Yes – members popped their names in the birthday bucket.***

***Attending: 45***

Morning all and welcome. Happy New Year and hope everyone had a great Holiday season.

Following the last meeting and its notes, I would like to introduce myself and the new Chapter Executive:

Myself (Marc Varty) as the new **Director**. I know, I have big shoes to fill and once again a BIG THANK YOU to Lyn who has been holding the handlebars for the last 4 +years. As well as Meg as secretary and Tammy as activities officer for all their contributions.

**Assistant Director** – Remains Steve Davis who graciously agreed to stay on.

**Secretary** – Teresa Varty replacing Meg Anderson, who thankfully is still here for help and advice.

**Treasurer & Membership** – Heather Osborne who also graciously agreed to stay on.

**Historian** – Will remain Doug Miller, (Also a big thanks to Doug for all the trophies made for mileage and appreciation presentations)

**Activities Office** – Lyn Hart will be taking over from Tammy Bade, thank you Tammy once again for your time and dedication.

**Ladies of HOG (LOH):** Meg Anderson has graciously stepped into this role, thank you Meg!

Teresa Varty will remain our **Safety Officer**

**Road Captains** are as follow:

Head Road Captain – Murry (Spur) Thompson

Road Captains – Tracey, Gary, Albert, Rick, Steve, myself, and Doug as sweep.

We've also created two HOG email addresses to cover Vancouver HOG business. They are [vanhogdirector@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogdirector@gmail.com) (Director – Marc Varty) and [vanhogcommunication@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogcommunication@gmail.com) (Secretary – Teresa Varty)

My focus this year is twofold, one is on increasing membership and membership exposure in club events, and the reality of club finances, with that in mind we get the ugly out of the way first, I am not sure if everything is aware that the only revenue, we generate is through our membership fees. We have had preliminary discussion with TDMC to host and volunteer with their events, this will not cost us dollars only our volunteer time.

Our current membership fee for the year is \$20 / year and has not increased since 1988. Other local chapters have increased theirs to close to \$30. We are holding ours at \$20 till January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, thereafter it will increase to \$25 / year. So, pay early, and remember if you pay today, you have the potential of winning your 2024 membership. If payment hasn't been received by the season opener ride (April 2024), you will be removed from the membership minutes distribution and FB access.

With all of that in mind how do we increase membership and then revenue through fundraising? Suggestions much appreciated, contact details below for your ideas. Please could you consider club exposure, my thought is that we wear our club vests at all club events and potential bike events including the motorcycle show. Suggestions welcome.

### **PAST EVENTS**

**Sat. Dec 2** HOG® Chapter Meeting & HOG® Chapter Photos TDMC 11:00 **\*\* Funds raised by the photos with Santa (TDMC) \$1073 to the Vancouver Christmas Buruea and a box full of toys! (Thank you to Chris for the information and for being Santa)!**

**Sat. Dec 2** VANCOUVER HOG® CHAPTER HOLIDAY LUNCHEON  
Thank you to all who attended and Lyn for organizing.



**Mon. Dec 25** MERRY CHRISTMAS VANCOUVER HOG® CHAPTER!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

*REMINDER: 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...*

Signing up through FB is excellent as then other members know who is attending to make it fun – the more the merrier!

#### **Google Calendar:**

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=cWdzdjlwYWVwbjJtaGRmb2U0aGloMGJzNGdAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlMnNvbQ>

**Sat. Jan 6** HOG® Monthly Meeting TDMC 10:00  
Join our FIRST monthly meeting of 2024 to hear Chapter news, upcoming events & get the scoop on any TDMC news & specials for Vancouver HOG® members!

**Sat. Jan 6** Vancouver HOG® Membership Mixer TDMC 11:00-1:00  
Renew your memberships for 2024 at this event & be entered to win a FREE membership! Coffee & sandwiches served for members!

\*\* Wonderful to see the excellent turn-out for the membership mixer. Thank you to Barrie and Heather Osborne for manning the membership renewal table!

\*\* Thank you to Tammy Bade for organizing the yummy sandwiches and mini donuts

**Fri. Jan 12 to** Vancouver Motorcycle Show – Tradex Abbotsford

**Sun. Jan 14** <https://motocanada.com/shows/vancouver/>

**Wed. Jan 17** HOG® Pub Night 7:00 (so far 11 have signed up through today's meeting)

Destination: Woody's Pub, 935 Brunette Ave. Coquitlam

Please sign up on FB or RSVP to [lynhart@telus.net](mailto:lynhart@telus.net)

**Sat. Feb 3** HOG® Monthly Meeting TDMC 10:00

Join our monthly meeting to hear Chapter news, upcoming events & get the scoop on any TDMC news & specials for Vancouver HOG® members!

**Sat. Feb 3**     **HOG® Lunch 11:30** (*Following the meeting*)  
 Boston Pizza, 2850 Bentall St (& Grandview) 604-439-1132  
*Following our monthly meeting. We'll take a head count,  
 & reserve then.*



**Sat. Feb 10**     **HOG® Valentine Brunch 11:30**  
 Cactus Club, 101 Schoolhouse St off Lougheed, Coquitlam  
*Please sign up on FB or RSVP to [lynhart@telus.net](mailto:lynhart@telus.net)*

### **OF INTEREST TO VANCOUVER HOG® MEMBERS**

#### **VANCOUVER HOG® CHAPTER "MILEAGE CHALLENGE"**

Managed by Steve Davis, Asst Director [steveda@shaw.ca](mailto:steveda@shaw.ca).

If you have not submitted your opening mileage, with photograph and VIN #, please do so for 2024.

### **2023 Vancouver HOG Mileage Challenge**

First Name	Last Name	Total Mileage	Notes
Scott	Bigg	14,177	
Gary	Monts	13,736	
Marc	Varty	12,991	
Steve	Davis	7,122	
Teresa	Varty	14,082	
<b>Tracy</b>	<b>Monts</b>	<b>14,928</b>	<b>Top Female</b>
Lyn	Hart	5,167	
Murray	Thompson	9,877	
Rick	Bade	9,413	
Monique	Paassen	12,493	
Wilco	van de Kamp	2,821	
Roy	Johnson	6,667	
<b>Gerry</b>	<b>Yates</b>	<b>22,615</b>	<b>Combined mileage between the 2 bikes: 23,672 km     ** Overall Winner**</b>
<b>Gerry</b>	<b>Yates</b>	<b>1,057</b>	
David	Oschger	3,147	
<b>Total Club Mileage for 2023 150,293 km</b>			

### **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.

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!*

<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>

### **VANCOUVER 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. *If you'd like to order a name tag, please give \$10 cash to Kyoko at the TDMC west desk & will put your name on the list.*

**\*\* There are 9 names on the list! Three more and we can get them ordered!**

### **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**

### **ROAD CAPTAIN REPORT**

**Murray Thompson**

90 days till riding season. Be aware of road conditions and upcoming colder temperatures.

### **SAFETY REPORT**

**Teresa Varty**

Safety websites information for you: Please keep up to date with information, do your research and always be safe.

**Take a first aid course!** <https://bikerdown.ca/>

**Motorcycle Safety Laws:** <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/driving-and-cycling/road-safety-rules-and-consequences/motorcycle-safety#:~:text=All%20motorcyclists%20and%20motorcycle%20passengers,seated%20astride%20the%20driver's%20seat>

**Motorcycle safety:** <https://www.icbc.com/road-safety/sharing/motorcycle-safety>

**10 Motorcycle Safety Tips to Keep You on the Road:** <https://www.tranbc.ca/2012/05/30/10-safety-tips-for-motorcycle-safety-awareness-month/>

### **MOTORCYCLE RULES IN VANCOUVER VI TICKETS:**

<https://theshopvancouver.com/blogs/news/motorcycle-rules-in-vancouver-vi-tickets-and>

### **LADIES OF HARLEY REPORT**

**Meg Anderson**

Ongoing meetups – keep an eye on the minutes and FB.



### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**Heather Osborne**

Renewal desk open after the meeting

### **FINANCE REPORT**

**Heather Osborne**

Nothing to report.

## **ACTIVITIES REPORT**

**Lyn Hart**

Super Bowl draw, \$2 per square. Super Bowl on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### **Questions, comments, & discussion:**

- Upcoming Rallies – keep an eye on the HD App (nothing yet listed for Canada).

## **PRIZE DRAWS**

**TDMC \$25 Birthday Gift Certificate** (1) for January 2024, donated by our Chapter, awarded to: Steve Davis – January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Membership Draw (x 2)** winner for the month of January *wins a \$25 Gift Card of their choice from Tim Horton's or Starbucks:*

**Louis Chilton**

**Andrew Wray**

**CASH DRAW:**

**Monique Paassen - \$102.50**

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**NEXT MEETING: Sat. February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, 10:00 TDMC**

***Followed by***

**Vancouver HOG® Lunch at Boston Pizza** 2850 Bentall St, Vancouver, BC V5M 4H4

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**ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 10:46am**