



**Vancouver Chapter  
Harley Owners Group**

**Business Meeting Minutes  
March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

*The meeting was called to order by Director, Marc V, at 10:00 am*

**TDMC – Geoff Gauthier: NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR):**



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

**From the Service Department:**

Service department spots are filling up fast – a full complement of techs will be hired and working in the next two weeks.

**From the MotorClothes Department:**

The spring lines have started to arrive, come over to Merch and we'll show you what's new!

**From the Parts Department:**

Jeff is on vacation so no update this month.

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

Continuation of the 2023 Model Year-End Sale. We have 3 eligible 2023 models left on the floor at 1.99% with an ESP and up to \$3000 customization credit. See the sales folks for details.

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

Season opener weekend is Friday, March 22 – Sunday, March 24!

Harley-Davidson Canada presents the Grand American Launch Party.

On Saturday, March 23, come in to the store to enter to win an all-new 2024 Road Glide or Street Glide. There will be prizes and giveaways while supplies last.

Then join us on Sunday for the one and only Red's Garage Sale. We've already booked 12 tents and 9 tables. We'll be joined by Mr. Tubesteak slinging hot dogs and as always, Karen's Tent Sale will have deals galore just outside of the Service Department.

**Marc welcomed: Gordon Apperly:** Three Flags Motorcycle Ride, all relevant details on their website <https://www.sc-ma.com/the-three-flags-classic>

**Questions:**

What is the cost? Cost \$35 for registration to Southern Motorcycle Association + \$300 for ride entry

What is the ride participation limit? Limited to 300 riders

Where does it start and end? Harrison Hot Springs on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August, ends in Tijuana on Labour Day

What about Lodging? This is your own cost and planning.

What is the approximate distance? Approx 2000 miles

What is the average age of participants? Between 50 to 70 years of age

What are the bike types involved? About 25 % are HD

What is the routing? Mostly secondary roads – try to stay away from the major hwy's

## EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION

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

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

***Any members present with a birthday this month? Yes, Tammy B and Karel K***

**Attending: 26**

***Any members ride to the meeting today? No***

## PAST EVENTS

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

**Sat. Feb 3**     **Van HOG® Luncheon @ Boston Pizza after the meeting.**  
*10 members enjoyed a happy lunch together.*

**Sat. Feb 10**    **Van HOG® Valentines Luncheon @ Cactus Club 101 Schoolhouse Street, Coquitlam**

*10 members had a lovely Valentines lunch and social time together.*

**Sun. Feb 11** NFL Superbowl

**Q1 - \$25 Tammy B**

**Q2 (HT) - \$50 Rick B**

**Q3 - \$25 – Rick B**

**Full time - \$100 Monique P**

**Thurs. Feb 15** Ladies of HOG® get together @ Admiral Pub 4125 Hastings Street, 7:00 pm

*3 ladies had fun planning some summer ride destinations.*



**Mon. Feb 19** Family Day

**Wed. Feb 21** Van HOG® Dinner @ Admiral Pub 4125 Hastings Street, Burnaby 7:00 pm

*5 of us learnt a lot about each other!*



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sat. Mar 2** HOG® Monthly Meeting TDMC 10:00 (today)

**Sat. Mar 2** HOG® Lunch at BP, 12 attendees (today)

**Wed. Mar 13** HOG® Dinner at Trocadero, 2411 Nanaimo Street, Vancouver 7pm



**Sun. Mar 17** St Patrick's Day

**Sun. Mar 24** **Red's Garage Sale** – we have two tables. \$50 each, one table is paid for, so one is still available. Share with a friend for \$25 each. Do your spring cleanout and make some \$\$ Further details to be provided when available.



Please contact [vanhogcommunication@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogcommunication@gmail.com) to signup for a table

**Fri. Mar 29** Good Friday

**Sun. Mar 31** Easter Sunday

**Stay tuned for Pool Tournament at Sneaky Pete's – details soon to be announced!**

*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...*

**Google Calendar:**

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=cWdzdjlwYWVwbjJtaGRmb2U0aGloMGJzNGdAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ>

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

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

Managed by Steve D., 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.

#### **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.trevdeley.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.* **We need 4 more members to get a badge for the order to be placed please.**

### **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**

### **SAFETY REPORT**

**Teresa V:**

From: <https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/content/expert-advice/parts-accessories-guides/motorcycle-tires-101.html>

#### **WHEN IS IT TIME TO REPLACE MOTORCYCLE TIRES?**

There are a few telltale signs that can indicate when to replace a motorcycle's tires. Riding on worn, damaged or old motorcycle tires can compromise your safety. Here are some indications of when to replace your motorcycle tires.

- **If Your Tires are Worn:** Worn tires provide reduced traction, adversely impact stability and handling, and may be more easily damaged, potentially leading to tire failure. It's time to consider installing new tires when tread depth reaches 2/32 inch, and tires should be considered worn out and unsafe when tread depth is 1/32 inch or less. Most tires have wear bars molded into the grooves of the tire tread. There may be a small triangular indicator on the tire sidewall that points to the location of the wear bars. Tires should be replaced before the tread wears down to the level of the wear bars. The traction of off-road tires will diminish as the tread wears, and the rear tire usually wears out at twice the rate of the front.

It can sometimes be challenging to see the wear bars. Harley-Davidson offers three tire pressure gauges that feature a tool for measuring tire tread depth.

- **If Your Tires are Old:** Professionals recommend replacing motorcycle tires every six years, as indicated by the date-of-manufacture code on the sidewall. Even if older tires appear to be in good shape, the rubber compound can begin to dry out over time, and the internal construction can deteriorate.
- **If the Sidewalls are Weathered:** Inspect the tire sidewalls for small cracks that make the tire appear to be drying out. The UV in the bright sun can age the tires in this manner if the bike is usually parked outdoors.
- **If Your Tire is Damaged:** Consider the repair of a punctured tire or tube a temporary "get home" procedure. A repaired tire loses its speed rating and should be replaced. Harley-Davidson recommends that when riding on a repaired tire, speed should not exceed 50 mph for the first 24 hours after repair, and the repaired tire should never be used over 80 mph.
- **If There's Cupping or Uneven Wear of the Tread:** Tread that is worn unevenly can affect handling and cause uncomfortable vibration. It may also be an indication of another problem, such as an unbalanced wheel, a bent or mis-aligned axle, a damaged wheel rim, or a bad wheel bearing. A professional technician can often diagnose other problems by looking at uneven tread wear.

\*\* Comment from Craig H – be aware when buying second hand tires or tires on sale that you have done your research on the age, wear, and tear on the tire.

### **LADIES OF HARLEY REPORT**

**Meg A: (unable to attend meeting, report given by TV)**

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

- Summer planning is underway. A two night get away is being planned (keep July 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> marked in your calendar)



**Treasurer's report****Heather O:**

All expenses from 2023 have been paid in full. No other changes to the status of finances.

**Membership report****Heather O:**

We have 104 members. Of the 104, 23 members potentially may be removed as they have not renewed their local chapter membership. Emails have been sent to the 23 individuals asking them to renew. That would bring our membership down to 81.

**ROAD CAPTAIN REPORT****Murray T:**

- Rides are being planned for the upcoming season. The North Shore has been added as a meeting point.
- When the season starts – there will be two Wednesday evening rides a month starting at 7:00 pm (rotating through TDMC, North Vancouver and Chevron @ 232<sup>nd</sup> Ave), and alternating rides weekly between Saturday and Sunday's.
- The rides will be posted two weeks before the next month starts.
- Season Opener Ride is after the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting (weather permitting, led by Marc V)
- **The (3) meeting points will be:**

**TDMC:** 1875 Boundary Rd, Vancouver, BC V5M 3Y7

**North Vancouver:** Superstore Mobil Gas Station: 333 Seymour Blvd, North Vancouver  
**Chevron @ 232<sup>nd</sup> & Hwy1**

**Questions, comments, & discussion:**

**Ride to Live, Amazing Race 2.0** – May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (we have entered a team), information on FB and has been sent out as an email (postcard info also available). Details available from <https://www.ridetolive.ca/>

\*\* Please contact Teresa V @ [vanhogcommunication@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogcommunication@gmail.com) for more details

\*\* If you are unable to attend, feel free to sponsor an existing Van HOG® rider:

<https://www.gifttool.com/athon/SearchParticipants?ID=1852&AID=4318&CID=332>

**PRIZE DRAWS**

**TDMC \$25 Birthday Gift Certificate** (1) for March 2024, donated by our Chapter, awarded to:

**Karel K**

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

**Roy J & Murray T**

**CASH DRAW:**

**Won by Karel K**

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**NEXT MEETING: Sat. April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 10:00 TDMC**

***Followed by***

**Vancouver HOG® Season Opener Ride**

**ADJOURNMENT:** *Meeting was adjourned at 10:35am*