

# Vancouver Chapter Harley Owners Group

# Business Meeting MINUTES March 4, 2023



The meeting was called to order by Director, Lyn Hart at 10:03am

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

**REES HAYNES** Marketing and Events Coordinator

\*\* Rees would love to hear from the members regarding what the dealership can help with i.e., latest communication devices (maybe an info session / tech chat), how to use various modes of communication. What interests you? What, as a community, can we be involved in?

#### From the Service Department:

It is time to start thinking about taking your bikes out of storage. Call the service department to book any work now while your bike is here, so your bike is ready when you are.

Every stage kit (stage 1/2/3/4) booked with a deposit in the month of March gets it tuned with a Harley-Davidson Street Tuner for free. \$500 value. This offer cannot be combined with any other offer. Not valid on 2023 models.

#### From the Parts Team:

New for March 2023 is the awesome and exciting Screaming Eagle 135CI Crate engine for model years 2017+ for Touring models and a new Screaming Eagle Pro Street Tuner for 2021+Models. Both will be available to order in the coming weeks and are fully warranty Compliant, please ask the Parts Department for more information.



# From the Motorcycle Sales and Financing Departments:

From March 2nd – March 7th we are offering a finance special through HDFS. Customers can enjoy the special low rate of 7.09% on any new Harley-Davidson with zero down over 72 months with the purchase of ESP. O.A.C.

On Harley-Davidson pre-owned units, interest rate specials are 7.59% over 72 months with zero down with the purchase of ESP. O.A.C.

# From the Motorclothes Department:

March 23-26 we will be running an <u>Exclusive</u> HOG Double Rewards Promo on Regular Priced Merchandise and Parts. (Sale items, Motorcycles, Bicycles and Labour are excluded.) And just a reminder you need to have your membership up to date to maintain your HOG Chrome Status in the rewards program. So, if you still haven't renewed, please go see Kyoko today!

# Other info, upcoming events, and promotions:

- We have a 3 day Spring Season Opener March 24-26<sup>th</sup>
- We have a Raffle to win 2 tickets to George Thoroughgood.
- We have a contest to win a 2023 breakout. More information to follow!

# Red's Garage - Sunday March 26th/2023



#### The Motorcycle Film Festival

Trev Deeley's will be hosting "The Motorcycle Film Festival" on Friday April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Rio Theater on East Broadway at Commercial.

Since 2017, TMFF has been celebrating the intersection of motorcycles, film and the arts, sharing universal stories told through the lens of motorcycling. More information to come! Tickets will be available online through the Rio Theater.

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

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

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

**Any members present with a birthday in March? Tammy Bade;** March 9<sup>th</sup>, **Lou Chilton;** March 29<sup>th</sup>. Happy Birthday Tammy & Lou!

Attending: 40 Members!

# **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**Harry Van Beest** introduced **Nicole Sirockman**, Prostate Cancer Foundation's Events Coordinator for BC's Annual Ride to Live.

The 14th Annual Ride to Live will take place on Sunday May 28th. Nicole & Harry, who is a regular volunteer for the event, went on to give some details on this year's fundraiser.

#### 14th Annual West Coast Ride to Live

Sunday, May 28th - Vancouver HOG Chapter has entered a team this year for the West Coast Ride to Live. Join us and register today! Cost is \$50 if you register before March 17th, \$75 if you register after March 17th up until April 30th, and \$100 if you register after May 1st. Tax receipts will be issued for any registration amount paid over \$50. You can also register to raise \$150 and ride for free. There is space for a maximum of 200 bikes. This year's ride has a new format, and activities to complete.

Register now with the Vancouver HOG Chapter Team at <a href="https://www.ridetolive.ca/">https://www.ridetolive.ca/</a> Instructions: Select the Register button. Choose the Amazing Ride In-person Event and select next. Select Join a Team, and Next. Find Vancouver HOG Chapter in the list and select the 'Join Team' Hyperlink on the right-hand side. Accept the terms and conditions. Continue to follow the instructions and pay your fee.

Please join us to raise funds for prostate cancer and enjoy this Amazing Ride!

### **PAST EVENTS**

Sat. Feb 4 HOG® Lunch 11:30 Boston Pizza, 2850 Bentall St (& Grandview) 604-439-1132

Good turnout & decent menu at out new after-meeting lunch spot!

Wed. Feb 8 HOG® Dinner 7:00

6 members enjoyed the evening at the Milltown Pub in Richmond!

Sat. Feb 11 HOG® Valentine Brunch 11:00

11 members had a great time at Cactus Club in Coquitlam!

Tue. Feb 14 VALENTINE'S DAY

Thur. Feb 16 HOG® LOH Ladies of Harley Pub Night 7:00

Admiral Pub, 4125 Hastings St, Burnaby

This event was cancelled due to numbers

Sat. Feb 25 HOG® Bowling

This event was cancelled due to weather. To be rescheduled!

#### **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.

Sat. Mar 4 HOG® Lunch 11:30 Boston Pizza, 2850 Bentall St (& Grandview) 604-439-1132

Following our monthly meeting. We'll take a head count & reserve then.

Wed. Mar 8 HOG® Dinner 7:00

Trocadero Pizza & Steak House, 2411 Nanaimo St, Vancouver

Please sign up at meeting, on FB or RSVP to ommatammybade@yahoo.ca!

If you sign up & can't make after all, let us know!

Tue. Mar 14 HOG® LOH Ladies of Harley Pub Night 7:00

Admiral Pub, 4125 Hastings St, Burnaby

Ladies only, please RSVP on FB event page or email <a href="mailto:teresa.varty@gmail.com">teresa.varty@gmail.com</a>

If you sign up & can't make after all, let us know!

# Wed. Mar 15 Mr. Trev Deeley's 103rd Birthday

## Fri. Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day

# Thur. Mar 23 HOG® Dinner 7:00

Taphouse, 405 North Rd, Coquitlam

Please sign up at meeting, on FB or RSVP to <a href="mailto:ommatammybade@yahoo.ca">ommatammybade@yahoo.ca</a>!

If you sign up & can't make after all, let us know!

#### Sat. Mar 25 HOG® Pool Tourney 2:00-5:00pm

Sneaky Pete's Pool Café, 424 McLean Dr. Vancouver \$20 Buy in to join the tourney or come and socialize with everyone. Should be well attended, many have signed up already. eTransfer money to lynhart@telus.net, and let her also know you are coming.

#### Sat. Apr 1 HOG® Monthly Meeting TDMC 10:00

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

# Sat. Apr 1 HOG® Season Opener Ride! TDMC 11:00 (following meeting)

Our first ride of 2023! Destination: The Shady Tree Pub, Squamish *Weather permitting*.

#### OF INTEREST TO VANCOUVER HOG® MEMBERS

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

Managed by Steve Davis, Asst Director <a href="mailto:steveda@shaw.ca">steveda@shaw.ca</a>

#### **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® 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/

# <u>VANCOUVER HOG® BUY & SELL PAGE</u> – (through the Facebook page)

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

#### VANCOUVER HOG® INSTAGRAM @vancouverhog

#### **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 & she will put your name & info on the list.

#### **HOG® CANADA RIDE 365**

To see all of 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 VARTY** Safety Officer

Last month we discussed blind spots, and so part of that is making sure that you have your mirrors are correctly positioned. In all vehicles, mirrors are essential safety equipment. They are there for one reason and one reason only: to help you see other traffic and road conditions.

If another driver, whether car, truck, or other motorcycle, is too close to you, you want to be able to see that and avoid a rear-end collision. A mirror helps you know whether you should adjust your speed or change lanes. If you want to change lanes for any reason, you need a mirror to help you see whether it is safe, or whether oncoming traffic it too close for comfort. These safety checks are important in all vehicles, of course, but they are particularly important in motorcycle safety. If a car or other vehicle rear ends you or hits you when you are changing lanes, the accident could be fatal to you. You have little protection against a several-thousand-ton vehicle on a motorcycle.

It doesn't matter if it's the other driver's fault, in terms of your personal safety. You need to drive defensively. Mirrors are a vital link in your defense, just like helmets and other protective equipment. Adjust your mirrors to see other traffic. So, how do you adjust your mirrors for maximum safety?

- 1. First, remember that factory settings or prior adjustments are not the way to gauge whether they are adjusted properly. The best way to do the adjustment is to sit on your motorcycle as you normally would. Use the same position. Use the same posture as well. You want to replicate the riding stance you normally have.
- 2. Second, adjust the mirrors so that you can see behind you fully and on either side. Some guides say that you should see the tops of your shoulders as well. Other riders find that distracting. Be guided by your own comfort level in that regard, if you can see behind you and on other side as much as possible. Like cars, some motorcycles will have a blind spot. If this is so on your make and model, you goal is to aim for the smallest blind spot possible.
- 3. Third, don't rely solely on mirrors to check traffic and other potential road hazards! You will need to look over your shoulder to see if there is oncoming traffic when you want to change lanes, for example. You might want to check traffic in other situations. Never, never rely solely on mirrors even if you don't have a blind spot.

# LADIES OF HARLEY REPORT

### **TERESA VARTY & MONIQUE PAASSEN** LOH Co-Officers

- The Vancouver HOG® Chapter LOH Pub Nights continue once a month after the riding season concludes. Check the schedule on Facebook & RSVP if you can make it! Invite your friends along but ladies only, please.
- LOH patches are available for purchase at the TDMC east desk.

#### **Upcoming events:**

- Join us for lunch after the HOG meetings (monthly), and also various mid-week dinners, keep an eye on FB and email.
- Monthly Ladies pub nights, time to get to know each other before riding season is in full swing, next one is on Tuesday 14th March @ Admiral Pub 7pm
- Preparing for summer riding: 17th annual International Female Ride Day Saturday May 6th, 2023
- Overnight trip via Sunshine Coast to Vancouver Island Saturday 8th July to Sunday 9th
- July 2023: The more the merrier, come on out, get to know each other.

Let us know your thoughts, suggestions and if there is anything you want to know or contribute.

# **ROAD CAPTAIN REPORT**

**ALBERT SCHULZ** Head Road Captain

Albert is stepping down at the Head Road Captain, making way for two who will share the position for 2023; he will continue to be a road captain for the season and hopefully into the future. Murray Thompson and Marc Varty will be filling his shoes as Co-Head Road Captains...thanks M&M team!

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

**HEATHER OSBORNE** *Membership Officer* 

Heather reported that we presently have 113 members registered for the 2023 season. 50 individuals have not re-registered. As of the end of March, any members who have not re-registered will no longer receive informational emails or minutes for the monthly meetings.

#### Questions, comments, & discussion:

# **HOG Grey Cup Pool DRAW!**

Unfortunately, the poster was misplaced at TDMC & can't be found. We knew the number of overall squares purchased, just not who purchased them. Most people have come forward with how many squares they bought, so we have decided that even though we don't have every name that entered, we needed to put this to bed. One entry into the draw was placed for each square purchased. Prizes are based on the total pot, as not every square was purchased before the poster was lost.

The winners of the HOG Grey Cup Pool are:

- 1st Quarter winner Lui Garcia wins 1/8 the pot
- ½ time winner Harold Howe wins ¼ the pot
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter winner Lui Garcia wins 1/8 the pot
- Final Score winner Marc Varty wins Half the pot

# **Union Gospel Mission**

For the month of March there will be a donation box @TDMC for the collection of clothing (adult only), toques, socks etc., toiletries, blankets, and cash. (No children's items) Good, clean, condition only please. Thanks to Rick and Tammy Bade for organizing!

Hoping this will become an annual event to be done yearly in November. We have so much to be grateful for and being able to give back to a community in need is the least we can do! You can donate up to April 1st HOG Meeting.

**Bowling Night** postponed.

**Swap Meet** moved to Sat April 29th 10:00-2:00

**HOG Pool Tournament** moved to Sat Mar 25th 2:00-5:00

#### **PRIZE DRAWS**

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

**Albert Schulz & Roy Johnson** 

BIRTHDAY DRAW winner for the month of March: Lou Chilton

Birthday Draw Winner wins a \$15 Gift Card of their choice from Tim Horton's or Starbucks.

# **NEXT MEETING:** Sat. April 1st, 2023 10:00 TDMC

# Followed by

**HOG® Season Opener Ride!** TDMC 11:00 (following meeting)

Destination: The Shady Tree Pub, Squamish. Weather permitting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 11:01am