



Northshore HOG News

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 26-27, Bayou Thunder Fest @ NSHD.
- Mar. 31-April 2, Louisiana HOG Rally, Alexandria.
- April 9, Membership meeting & ride, NSHD @ 9:30 am
- April 15-17, HOG Officer Training, Jacksonville, FL.
- May 1, Crawfish Boil, Buccaneer State Park, Waveland, MS.
- See the web site for a complete listing of events

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MARCH 19th RIDE A HIT !

By Dan Wehr; Photos by Carl Fox

On Saturday, March 19th, several members of our Chapter gathered at the Palladium Restaurant, located at the intersection of Gause Blvd. and Military Road, and rode to Shaggy's Restaurant at Pass Christian, Mississippi. While I was unable to participate in this event, I have been told that the weather was terrific, the company was great, and the food was to-die-for. Since no one drafted an article for this piece, the following pictures should give you an idea of the great time had by all.



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This was Dwight's first group ride on his new scooter (shown on the right).



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From the Editor

Random Thoughts and Road Hazards

What's Happened, What's Planned & What's Happening

There's been a lot going on. Last month we had a rather long meeting featuring Valerie Ledterman and presentations by the staff at Mike Bruno's Harley-Davidson, which was followed by a ride to Morton's Restaurant in Madisonville.

On March 12th, the Chapter had its monthly meeting followed by a ride to Tony's Po-Boy Restaurant in Chalmette. While I was unable to attend this event due to medical issues, I was informed that the weather was perfect and those that participated had a great time.

As planned by Sonia Fox, the Chapter rode to Shaggy's Restaurant at Pass Christian, on March 19th. Everyone enjoyed the great weather, good food, and companionship.

On March 26th and 27th, the Dealership will be hosting the annual Bayou Thunder Fest weekend event. The local chapter will be selling bottled water to attendees. Please make plans to attend as there will be many vendors and entertainment to make your day one to remember.

There will be a group ride to the Louisiana State HOG Rally in Alexandria. Those who wish to participate should meet at the Covington IHOP, on Hwy. 190, just north of I-12 on Thursday, March 31. Departure time is 9:00 am. Come early if you want breakfast.

Due to the dates of the State HOG Rally, April's Chapter meeting will occur on April 9th, a week later than usual.

The Chapter will host a crawfish boil at Buccaneer State Park in Waveland, MS, on May 1st. If you would like to participate in this event, there will be a sign-in sheet at the dealership. More information will be provided at the next Chapter meeting.

Ride Safe & Often,
Danno

If you are not a current member of the Northshore HOG Chapter, or you forgot to renew your membership in January, simply fill out an enrollment form (available at the dealership or on the website, see "Downloads").

Last Month's Minutes By PAT SCHAEFER

March 12, 2011

The Northshore H.O.G. Chapter social gathering/meeting opened with a prayer by Russ and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Robin Blakeman.

Ray Gregg presented the Treasury Report: the Chapter balance is \$2,769.68.

The Chapter will be selling water & soft drinks on Saturday and Sunday, March 26 & 27, during Mike Bruno's Bayou Thunder weekend. We still need some volunteers for this assignment. If you can help, please contact our Asst. Director, Mike Werda (228) 332-0362 or our Director, Dwight Bradbury (985) 705-4095. Besides helping the Chapter's piggy bank, it is a good excuse to have some fun hanging around, grooving on the music and checking out all the bikes. Walton and Johnston will lead a ride.

A trip to Key West, Florida is scheduled for April 17. The Group (consisting of Chapter Officers who attended the HOG sponsored training session in Jacksonville) will depart Jacksonville en route Key West, spend a couple days in the Keys and return to Slidell via the west coast of Florida. For particulars regarding the point of departure, contact Dwight Bradbury if you would like to join them.

Ladies of Harley will have an overnight ride to Bellingrath Gardens in Alabama, with a departure date of Saturday, June 25. Details of this trip will be forthcoming.

Ladies of Harley Puerto Rico trip: Sonia Fox has organized a trip to Puerto Rico, to include the rental of bikes for touring this island. Make reservations as soon as possible by contacting Sonia.

For Chapter members riding as a group to Alexandria for the State H.O.G. Rally, plan to depart Thursday, March 31st, from the Covington IHOP on Highway 190, just north of I-12. Come early for breakfast if you want. Kickstands up at 9:00a.m.; lunch at Natchez; arrive at Alexandria around check-in time.

H.O.G. Officer training will take place in Jacksonville, FL, April 15-17. Our primary officers will be attending. At the conclusion of the training, they will be riding to Key West. Again, contact Dwight for the particulars.

The Chapter is planning a crawfish boil for Sunday, May 1 in Waveland, MS. A sign-up sheet will be available at Mike Bruno's. Particulars regarding departure time and place will be announced in the future.

Pat Schaefer reminded everyone that whenever you change anything on your bike, (foot pegs, helmets etc.) take it for a solo test ride to ensure that you don't have any un-anticipated issues (like positioning your right foot so it can drag on your brakes). Don't ask how he learned that.

Ray Gregg briefed on being EXTREMELY careful in areas with small children who may suddenly dart out in front of you.

Mike Bruno's has a \$300 gift certificate program. Drawings are held monthly. Details will be announced.

Although not a H.O.G. event, Russ Davis briefed the Chapter about an upcoming A.B.A.T.E. Poker Run for charity scheduled for Saturday, May 21.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned to give everyone time to do a Group Ride to Tony's Po-Boy Restaurant in Chalmette.

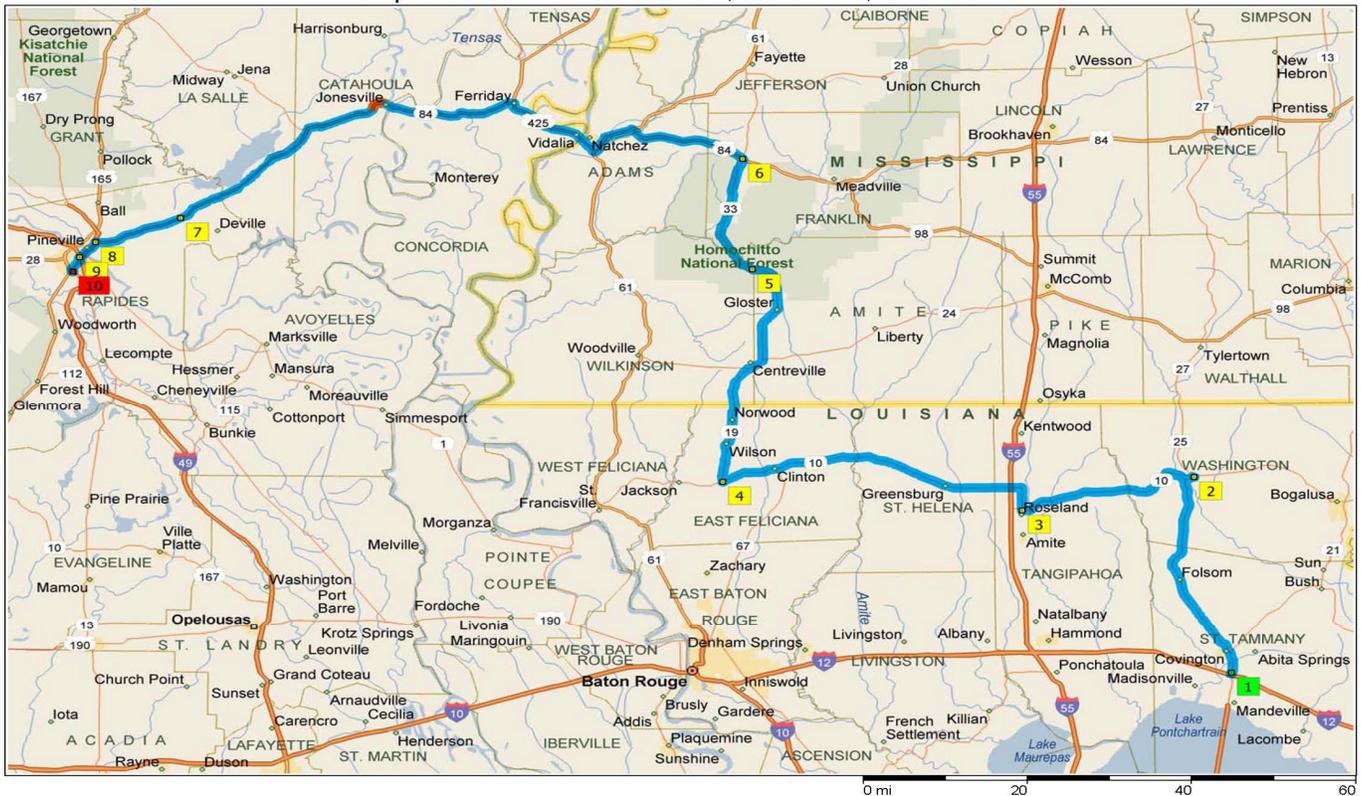
Reminder: Due to the Louisiana State H.O.G. Rally March 31-April 2, our April Chapter social meeting/ride will be on the second Saturday of the month, April 9.

From The Director

Spring has come to the North Shore. The “Cold Butt” days are gone and the warm days are upon us. Looking back, we have had 3 rides in January, 2 rides in February, and (as of press time) 2 rides in March. In addition, the end of March has a ride and refreshment sales at Bayou Thunder on March 26th and 27th and the following weekend is the Louisiana State HOG Rally multi-day trip. In total there are about 12 ride days our chapter has experienced before the April General Membership Meeting.

The **April General Membership Meeting** will be held on April 9th because of a conflict with the timing of the Louisiana State HOG Rally. The planned route to the Louisiana State HOG Rally is shown on the following map.

Ihop to 3815 Alexandria Mall Dr, Alexandria, LA 71301



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The Chapter ride to the rally will be a little longer than the rides most of our chapter members are accustomed to. Because of this, we will make several stops to break-up the trip. We will have lunch in or near Natchez, Miss. We will **meet on**

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Update Your Profile

Many of us have had a change in address, telephone number or email. Please go to the website www.northshorehog.com and update your profile. Don't forget to do the same thing when renewing your 2011 membership.

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Thursday, 3/31/11, at 7:00 a.m., at IHOP at the northwest intersection of I-12 and US-190 in Covington. We will have breakfast and leave about 9:00 a.m.

HOG OFFICER TRAINING (H.O.T.) & KEY WEST TRIP: There will be an H.O.T. meeting in Jacksonville, Florida that some of the officers will be going to, followed by a trip to Key West. The first wave of members will leave on 4/13/11, from Slidell, to get to the H.O.T meeting. The second wave of members will meet the first wave of members on the morning of 4/17/11 in Jacksonville, Florida and continue to Key West. The general idea of the Key West trip is to ride the rim of Florida (more or less). For information regarding the departure time and location for the Jacksonville to Key West portion of the trip, contact me at my phone number (see below).

There is an opportunity to make a trip out of the **Angola Rodeo (4/15-17/2011)** event. This can be a one or a two day event. Our officers will be in Jacksonville at that time; nevertheless, we still need a volunteer to be a road captain and planner for this event provided there are any members interested in going. If you would like to have an organized ride to the rodeo, please contact me or Mike Werda (our contact information is contained on page 2 of this newsletter).

Due to scheduling conflicts with Easter weekend, the **LOH ride for April will be cancelled.**

On Sunday, May 1, 2011, is our crawfish boil. We are still working out the particulars for this event. The destination will be the Buccaneer State Park in Mississippi. So clear your calendars and stay alert for more details via this newsletter and/or our website for more particulars regarding this event.

The succeeding weekend (Saturday, 5/7/11) is our May General Membership Meeting and Ride.

The following Thursday (5/12/11) marks the beginning of the Texas State Rally in Beaumont, Texas.

If you have missed the many opportunities to ride with the chapter, as you can see, there are many more opportunities to ride and have fun with the chapter.

I'll see you there!

Your Director,
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