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RIDE SAFELY -- HAVE FUN

A Special Note from the Editor

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From the Director:

Fellow Members:

For those of you who attended, certainly the big event for March was Langston's Bayou Thunder. What a great time! I hope all of you enjoyed it as much as I did.

For sure, there were hundreds, if not thousands, of fellow bikers with fantastic looking machines. It's hard to say what the highlight of the event was, but in my mind it was the number of folks who took part in the group ride on Saturday. By far, it was the largest ride we have ever had with bikes stretching out over one mile on the road. Our thanks have to go to the members of the St. Tammany's Sheriff's Department who escorted us and made the ride not only enjoyable, but safe for all.

A close second to the most memorable activity of Bayou Thunder (again, my opinion only) was the kickoff on Friday with the music provided by Witness. Boy, were they good! And, what a perfect night we had in terms of weather. It appears that Langston *finally* got some good weather for one of his events!!! Old timers know that his past history has been plagued with more rain than sunshine.

I want to especially thank those who volunteered to help the chapter during Bayou Thunder at the membership and 50/50 table plus those who sold water at that event. Below is a list of those volunteers (heaven help me if I have left anyone out, but being a big dummy, I probably have! Please accept my apologies now). I have

also included in the list below those who helped us man the membership table during the month of March. In alphabetical order, those who volunteered are:

- Chuck Ahmed
- Stan & Mary Anne Benvenuti
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- Charlie Porche
- Carol Price
- Juan Price
- Pat & Susan Schaefer
- Sid Schmidt
- Tim & Mary Shaw
- Connie Willette

Again, my heartfelt thanks to the above volunteers. Through their efforts we were able to add 31 new members to our chapter and raise over \$1,000.00 of which \$334.00 will go to our K-Bar-B Youth Ranch charity. The remainder of the amount raised will go into the chapter's bank account.

Please remember to ride safely.....Jim W.

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Got any ideas, articles or suggestions for the newsletter? Write 'em down and drop them in the suggestion box at NorthShore Harley-Davidson. Or call the editor. He can use all the help he can get!

Also, got any good photos that he can print? Again, put them in the suggestion box with a brief description of what the photo depicts.

Don't forget to put your name and phone number on the item so the editor can reach you if necessary.



MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Beth Engeseth, Secretary

February 21, 2004

1. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a recap of minutes from the January meeting.
2. John Clifford presented the Treasurer's Report and a detailed budget for 2004.
3. Suggestions for various fund raising activities were discussed with members.
4. A vote was taken to determine which charity the chapter would support this year. Voting decided that the K-Bar-B Youth Ranch would be the charity.
5. Planned events for March and April include Bayou Thunder, March 26-28, the Louisiana State Rally in Shreveport, April 1-4, and our first dinner ride to the House of Seafood in Bush, LA on April 24th.
6. Volunteers were requested for selling water and working the membership table and 50/50 at Bayou Thunder. Volunteers are also needed to work the membership table during the weekends of March and April.
7. Juan Price gave us some safety tips on group riding and handed out flyers on the proper use of hand signals.
8. Bruce Dillingham updated us on the status of the rider safety courses.
9. Our new Membership Chairman, Mike Corbin, was introduced.
10. We still need an Activities Director and a Website Manager. If interested, contact Jim Willette.
11. Meeting was adjourned followed by an optional lunch ride to Morton's Restaurant in Madisonville, LA.

Minutes continued on page 3.

TRAILER ASSISTANCE LIST

Here is the latest assistance list. Please replace the one you have been carrying with you.

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FINANCIAL REPORT, 2004

John Clifford, Treasurer

<u>Month</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>End of Month Bank Balance</u>
January	\$ 55.05	\$ 2,514.95	\$ 5,215.74
February	\$ 18.92	\$ 290.00	\$ 5,486.82



MINUTES (Continued):

March 20, 2004

1. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. John Clifford presented the Treasurer's Report. (See page 2 for more information.)
3. New members were welcomed to the meeting.
4. Beth Engeseth read the minutes of the meeting held on February 21, 2004.
5. Jim Willette gave us an update on the K-Bar-B Youth Ranch charity. The ranch will receive half of the proceeds obtained from the 50/50 drawing at Bayou Thunder. Additional activities for K-Bar-B will be scheduled for April or May once contact is made with the ranch's director.
6. Jim asked for additional volunteers for the Bayou Thunder event and the membership drive table during the month of April.
7. Group rides are planned for the Louisiana State Rally in Shreveport leaving NorthShore Harley-Davidson on Thursday and Friday, April 1 & 2.
8. The group ride for the Bayou Thunder kickoff party at Heritage Park is on Friday, March 26th. Assemble at NorthShore Harley at 5:00PM.
9. Jim reminded us of upcoming events for April and May. Activities include dinner rides to the House Of Seafood on Saturday, April 24th and to an, as yet, undetermined location on Saturday, May 22nd. Also, there will be a three day overnight ride during the Memorial Day weekend, May 29-31. Destination will be determined later based on the weather.
10. Juan Price discussed the Safe Rider Skills Program. (See page 10).
11. Jerry Norman discussed group riding spacing intervals, especially for the big ride during Bayou Thunder.
12. The next meeting is April 17, 2004.

NEW NORTHSORE MEMBERS

The following individuals have joined our chapter over the past couple of months. Please help to make these folks welcome to our riding community. Invite them to share a ride with you and let them know that we are happy that they are now members of the NorthShore Chapter of the Harley Owners Group.

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“Taking Part” in H.O.G.

Terry L. Forrette

Last year a fellow rider got me interested in the ABCs of Touring Contest offered each year to all H.O.G. members. Not knowing a lot about the contest I went to the H.O.G. web site and checked it out. The rules are simple: At least 26 pictures of your bike with a current year issue of *HOG Tales* or *Enthusiast* taken in front of an official sign for each letter of the alphabet. You will be awarded points for cities, counties (parishes), states, countries and many other “official” places.” The rules also require that you be in at least six of the photos. Not trusting my sometimes faulty memory to recall all of this information, I downloaded an entry form and rules from the H.O.G. web site and hit the road with a digital camera and a current issue of *HOG Tales*. My first stop was the Town Hall in Abita Springs. It was a chilly February day so I was dressed in full leathers and , of course, a helmet. You cannot imagine the looks I received as I set up my camera tripod on Main Street and stood grinning ear-to-ear holding a copy of *HOG Tales* in front of my bike. That same day I collected three more points, all small towns, in St. Tammany Parish. After that, I was hooked. Many days, when I wanted to take a ride but had no destination in mind, I would look at my list of points and pick a destination where my path would intersect a town or place that represented a letter that I needed. I picked up points at the Alabama and Mississippi State Rallies, the DeSota National Forest, Yazoo City and numerous other spots around the south. Summer found me in Wisconsin for the 100th Anniversary Celebration and snapping shots in front of the Juneau Avenue and Capitol Drive HD facilities. I was joined by riders from all over the world who were also having their pictures taken in front of the official ABCs of Touring sign at H.O.G. XX in West Bend, WI. By late fall, time was getting short and I was up to 54 points and wanted to achieve the 56 point award level. A trip up to northern Mississippi got me a couple of counties and towns that I needed and my photos and entry from into the mail prior to the December 31st deadline. The nice folks at H.O.G. contacted me and confirmed my award lever of 56 points. The goodies that come with this level will arrive this April and all award winners will be listed in the next issue of *HOG Tales*. As an additional activity, I entered the Mileage Program knowing that I would be racking up a lot of riding time during the contest. The Mileage Program is even easier than the ABCs of Touring contest. Just get an entry form off the web, fill your starting miles and have someone at the dealership verify the numbers. You get a program patch and pin up front and a rocker patch for each 10,000 mile increment. Didn't take me long to get my 10K rocker patch and I am well on my way toward the second.

Will I do this again in 2004? You bet! I already have 12 points and will be going for the 66 point award level. If you are interested in participating in these fun events, go to the H.O.G. web site and follow the link to “Take Part” and get the information, rules and entry forms. Ride safely and have fun!!!



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Terry racking up ABC points in Mandeville.



Bayou Thunder, March 26-28, 2004





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See You Next Year !!!





A Few Special Notes

- On Saturday, April 24th, we are going to have our chapter's first ever Dinner Ride. Other chapters seem to have a great time doing this, so we're going to copy them. If you want to join us, plan to assemble at North-Shore Harley-Davidson at 6:00PM and we'll ride from there. We are going to the House of Seafood in Bush, Louisiana which, if you've never been there, is some kind of special place to eat. Plan to join us. You'll have a great time and even better food. **Please note** that there will be no rain checks. If the weather is lousy, we'll simply take our cars instead of our bikes. The main idea is to get together as a group and have fun!

- Assuming that all has gone well with our first Dinner Ride, we're planning to repeat the event monthly. So, mark your calendars now for Saturday, May 22nd and we'll ride to dinner again. No special spot has yet been picked out but we'll find a restaurant somewhere that we can all enjoy. If you have a place in mind, drop your idea in the Suggestion Box at NorthShore Harley.

- Finally, a few words about the Memorial Day weekend ride. This will be an extended ride for three days leaving Slidell on Saturday, May 29th and returning on Monday, May 31st. In the past, we rode to Natchez, Mississippi and went about halfway up the Natchez Trace. Not quite sure where we're going this year because we must first look at the weather before making a destination decision. Again, if you have an idea on where to go, put your thoughts in the Suggestion Box.



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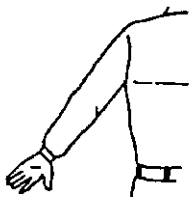
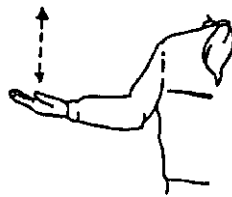
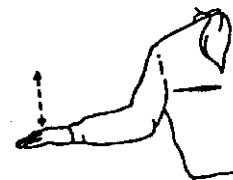
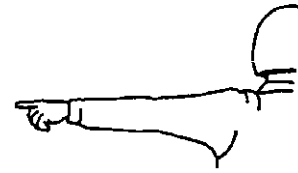
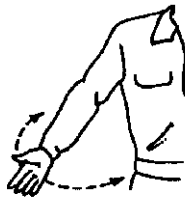
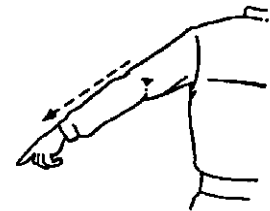
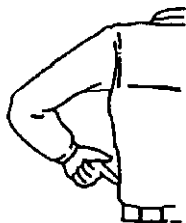
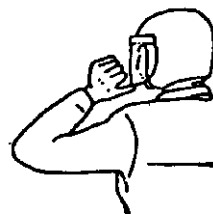
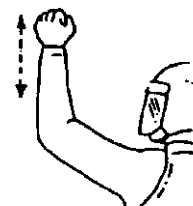
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These signals are intended to give you a forewarning of what is about to happen in order to make your ride as safe as possible. Please remember that as you get the signal from the rider in front of you, pass the signal on to the rider in back of you. However, pass them back only if and when you can maintain control of your bike. Maintaining control of your motorcycle is *always* your first priority and passing the signal to the rear is secondary.

1. STOP**2. SPEED UP****3. SLOW DOWN****4. START UP****5. RIGHT TURN****6. LEFT TURN****7. COME ALONGSIDE****8. SINGLE FILE****9. DOUBLE FILE****10. TURN SIGNALS ON****11. PULL OVER****12. ROAD HAZARD****13. FUEL****14. REFRESHMENT STOP****15. COMFORT STOP**



Lt. Fuzz's Safety Tips

Fellow Riders:

On Saturday, March 13, 2004, I was fortunate enough to attend and satisfactorily complete the Motorcycle Safety Foundations Advanced Motorcycle Operator Training Course. Although I have been riding many years, I learned quite a bit more about riding safely. Knowing what you should do and doing it are two entirely separate things. This is a great course because you hone your riding skills on your own motorcycle. It gives you an opportunity to see just what your bike can do under many varying situations.

Riding a motorcycle safely and skillfully requires your computer (brain) to assess many processes in fractions of a second. Studies indicate that 90% of driving scene impressions are visual. Peripheral vision is more sensitive to light and movement than is your central vision. Our central vision is used for such things as estimating distance and reading details in the traffic scene. What you see is processed by your computer (brain). Being able to learn good eye habits such as looking far ahead and assessing possible safe paths of travel is the habit of experienced riders. How do you develop good eye habits? Critical to this are at least the following three concepts:

1. Concentrating (focusing) on your intended path of travel and moving in traffic to maintain margins in all directions.
2. Aiming your vision well ahead by keeping your eyes up.
3. Forcing your eyes to move frequently so that you receive a wide field of information.

Bad effects on the visual search process are any physical limitations such as fatigue, alcohol and/or mental stress. Knowing what is critical requires good judgment based upon knowledge and skill. Visual perception is making sense of the many visual stimuli we receive and process. Wearing proper eye protection is a must for the safe operation of a motorcycle.

One very interesting thing we learned was that most motorcycle accidents occur in curves due partly to inexperienced riders attempting to apply brakes while leaning. This is an absolute "NO NO!" Always bring the bike to an upright position before applying the brakes. If you are unable to do this, you are probably traveling too fast for the curve. Always slow down prior to entering the curve and then accelerate in the turn if you see a clear path. Always look where you want the motorcycle to go, especially if you are leaning in the curve.

Stay alert and stay well!

Lt. Fuzz

HARLEY HISTORY

(Terry Forette - Historian)

HD Trivia from the Early Years: 1903-1910

In 1902, Bill Harley and Arthur Davidson were having troubles with their carburetor design. After several explosions in the kitchen at the Harley family residence, they enlisted the aid of a local Swede who was also interested in combustible engines. With his help, Bill and Arthur came up with a carburetor design that was safe and efficient. The name of the other individual was Ole Evinrude who went on to develop the famous Evinrude outboard boat engine.

The logo on the first 1903 model was hand-painted by an aunt of the Harley brothers. "Aunt Janet" selected red letters boarded by gold on a "piano black" background.

C. H. Lang, a Chicago bicycle dealer, became the first authorized Harley-Davidson dealer in the country. He sold the 1903 and 1904 models at a very good profit margin of about \$200.00. Some things never change!

By 1906, the business was booming and a new factory was purchased at the now Juneau Avenue location. As the story goes, after framing the 28 x 80 foot building the local railroad felt the building was too close to a proposed railway. With the help of several workers, the framed structure was moved one and one-half feet to a safer location.

At the first board meeting of the newly incorporated Harley-Davidson Company in 1906, the primary stockholders, the Harley brothers, Arthur Davidson and the appointed directors approved a sum of five dollars each as ample compensation for attending the meeting.

1910 saw the introduction of the now famous Bar & Shield logo. It was trademarked at the U.S. Patent Office the following year.

From the editor:

Terry Forrette is really doing a great job as our new Historian. Got any other Harley-Davidson trivia that you would like to share with him? Contact Terry at forrette@yahoo.com. He will include your inputs in the next edition of the newsletter.

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Our NorthShore Chapter meetings are held there—at the Harley store—every third Saturday at 9:00 AM.



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Would you like to join us? We would sure like to have you become a member and **enjoy what we enjoy**. The purpose of the NorthShore HOG Chapter is to promote safe motorcycling and social activities that are **fun!**

To become a member, you must first join the National H.O.G. (Harley Owners Group). That's easy. You qualify as a full member as a Harley-Davidson motorcycle owner or an associate member as a passenger on a Harley-Davidson. Yearly dues to the National are \$40.00 for a full member and \$20.00 for associate members. You can obtain a National application in several ways:

1. At NorthShore Harley-Davidson.
2. Call 1-800-CLUB HOG.
3. Email Harley-Davidson at HOG.com.

Once you have joined the National club, you can get an application for our chapter from NorthShore Harley-Davidson or from our club treasurer, John Clifford at 847-0966. Annual dues are \$15.00 for NorthShore chapter membership. Associates at the same address may join for only \$5.00.

General membership meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month at the NorthShore Harley-Davidson dealership at 9:00 AM. **Again, we would love to have you join us!**

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