



Northshore HOG News

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 3,
Chapter Meeting,
Ride NSHD @
9:30 am.
- See the web site
for a complete
listing of events



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We did it all for the Duty!...

Last week I got an email out of the blue that a few people were taking a trip to Enterprise, LA to take a ride across the Duty Ferry. They were planning to meet at Starbucks on Front Street with a KSU at 6am.

I'll rewind to a couple days prior when dad & I were talking about how we were both up for an oil change really soon, and we were going to venture into the world of doing our own bike maintenance. So we gathered up all of the necessary fluids, tools, and service manuals. I got to his house early on Thursday morning and we got started. My bike was hot from driving it to his house, so we decided to start on his. When I got all 3 of dad's drain plugs and filter off without a problem, or a mess, I should have known that was a bad sign! The real fun began when I attempted to remove dad's derby cover. There was red loctite on the bolts, and I don't think cement could have held it any stronger. The first shot out of the box, I got 1 bolt loose with a breaker bar and the attempt at a 2nd bolt snapped the bit. So we had to run to the store to buy more bits, but to make things even more fun! Here sits dad's bike in the driveway with no fluids in it, and the heavens decide to open up on us. So we're scrambling to get the bikes and tools out of the rain. Once everything is picked up we decide that it's a good time to go to the store. To make a long story short. After 3 trips to the store, 1 trip to the Harley Dealership, 4 broken bits, and a hand impact; we finally got the cover off! We put all the fluids back in his bike and reinstalled the derby cover with blue loctite, his bike was ready to roll. Thank goodness that my bike didn't have the red stuff and I had everything done in less than 45 minutes. Now jump back to Friday morning. I get a phone call at 5:15am, it's dad saying "I'm completely whipped, are you still going" and my reply was "I didn't do all that work yesterday to watch my bike sit in the garage all day!". So we met up with Karl & Bob at Starbucks and headed out. We then met up with Dwight in Covington, didn't even get off our bikes, then headed up to Franklinton where we met up with Ray. We made our first stop for breakfast in McComb, MS. Ray was telling us all about the Jim Bowie Relay Station, which sounded like a lot of fun. Well when we got there, it wasn't a good sign that the gate was all chained off and with weeds about 2 foot high. You could have turned the place into a ghost town with little to no effort. So we snapped a few pictures then headed 500 ft down the road to the ferry. The ferry was very interesting to see how it worked, but you better look fast because it's a short trip! By the time we got off our bikes and took 2 pictures, we were docked on the other side. Once we got on the other side we took a nice long ride and ended up back in Ferriday, LA, where we decided to make our lunch stop. Good thing we avoided the lunch rush since there was only 1 restaurant in town, the Chinese Buffet. The food didn't look so hot when we first got there but as we sat down they started to put fresh food out. When it's 2 buffets for \$9.99 I guess there isn't a whole lot that you can complain about. After lunch we headed down the road to the Delta Music Museum. The museum was actually soon to be closing but the lady behind the desk let us in anyway and then gave us a private tour. After a short stop at the museum, we headed home. When the day was over I got home about 10:30pm, and we had traveled about 525 miles. Over 500 miles in the July heat, I think that should qualify us for some kind of sweaty HOG / iron butt?

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From the Director

A word from your Director, Dan "Byucop" Schewe

Group thoughts!

For many riders, joining a group ride is enjoyable and a great way to spend a day with friends. Sharing the road and riding experience can be a great feeling and can make for great memory, but if we do not have our thought process down, it could turn into a bad memory that no one wants to relive.

We need to be reminded that the first person responsible for our safety is ourselves. We should be riding at our best at all times to help reduce risk factors. The information supplied by the Motorcycle Safety foundation and Riders Edge are good information and we should remember that these are the base line for your rides.

Important to know and understand that all riders have a different riding ability. During the ride, if you are concerned about the ride having a perfect stagger formation it will irritate you if there is an open space in the group. If you are complaining, in your mind, about the open space, you are failing to give 100 percent to the ride.

The other concern, especially to newer riders, "what if I lose the group"? Don't sweat it! If you get broken from the group, hopefully the ride leader went over the plan and you can just meet at the next rest stop or head out on your own. If you do head out on your own, be sure someone in the group knows it and can get a message to the ride leader.

What's necessary for great group rides? Common sense! When you head out with the group, take a moment to look over your approach and how to make it safer. A change of mind can reduce some of the risks and that's the idea of a GREAT RIDE!

Be sure your bike is properly maintained and ready for rides and remember, arrive with an empty bladder and a full gas tank!

You can't buy happiness but you did buy a Harley, and that's the same thing! Don't believe that? Look in the mirror next time you are out riding! You'll see your grin. Get out and Ride! And stay safe.



Another picture from your Assistant Director, Chip Newman





Ride to Ride the Duty, La Ferry 12JUL2013



LOH Ride to Boston Restaurant Amite 15JUN2013



LOH to Casa Garcia in Covington, 29JUN2013

Last Month's Minutes

By Judy Anderson

July 13, 2013 Minutes

Location: Mike Bruno's North Shore Harley Davidson Dealership, Slidell, LA

In attendance were the following 2013 officers:

Director – Dan Schewe

Web Master – Karl Fox

Asst. Director – Chip Newman

Ladies of Harley – Not Present

Treasurer – Buddy Newman

Membership Officer – Dave Authement

Secretary – Not Present

Photographer – Karl Fox

Activities Officer – Chip Newman

Head Road Captain – Not Present

Editor – Greg Peterman

Historian – Dwight Bradbury

Meeting called to order: 9:48am

Pledge of Allegiance: Roger Cagle

Prayer delivered by: Russ Davis

Dan Schewe, Director, brought the meeting to order with an overview of the following:

Great ride planned today to Crescent City Grill in Hattiesburg

Asked if anyone was attending the 110th Anniversary celebration. Promised to send pictures of the event.

Mentioned that the last two or three months we have asked for ride ideas. Passed out card for people to turn in their ride ideas both for short rides and overnight rides. (Had great response)

Asked everyone if they had seen the latest HOG Magazine, offered extra copies. Also mentioned publication available through the St. Tammany Parish Tourist Commission that highlights events in the parish.

Asked everyone how they felt about upcoming events being sent out in email format. Will continue to have calendar at dealership and website – but emails with events will go out to members as well.

Lisa Marie (HD Dealership Parts Representative) talked about her presentation last month regarding Road Glides. The dealership will not be getting more.

Dealership ride tomorrow has been postponed until next Sunday, July 21st at 10:30am KSU at 11am.

Road Glide will be out of manufacture for a year and Harley will be presenting its new line. Next month is dealer show and dealership is expecting great things.

There is a new discount program for active military. Also an all-time low finance of 2.99 (if qualified).

There is now a \$10 core charge if you buy a new battery. Once you bring in your old battery, your \$10 will be refunded.

Buddy Newman gave the profit and loss statement for June.

June 1st Balance - \$5,243.22

Deposits 115.00

Expenses -443.25

Ending Balance \$4,914.97

Dan Schewe explained that we have had a problem with new member information and dues being received. The problem has been isolated and should be resolved. We will probably have an additional 110 members making out total membership over 200.

Dave Authement is looking for volunteers to help him contact new members and follow up and encourage their participation.

Chip Newman, Assistant Directors and Activities Director will be emailing events and route of the months will be highlighted (which will typically be the meeting ride each month.)

Will be having a ride in coordination with Pastor Paul to Gulfport on July 20th Wheels & Coffee

KSU 10:30am.

Chip requested that anyone let him know of any problems with them not receiving emails.

Next meeting will be August 3rd. Overnight trip is scheduled for August 31st – September 1st for Tour Challenge.

Will be ordering nametags soon and asked that those who requested one check the spelling of their names and initial; those who want to order let him know. Also has merchandise available today if anyone is interested.

Greg Peterman asked that everyone submit pictures and articles of interest for the newsletter each month.

Dave Authement gave membership report. Birthdays for July were Carol Minica and Gayon Rolison.

Group welcomed Ray Bennett, new member in attendance.

Dan Schewe stated we will be making Chapter Membership cards with phone number on the back of people with trailers who can assist in the event they are needed.

Historian, Dwight Bradbury, asked that members keep pictures coming. He will compile information by the end of the year.

Web Master, Karl Fox, also asked that we send any pictures to him that members want shared on the website as well as to Greg Peterman for the newsletter. He made recent trip to Duty for ferry ride and also to Delta Music Museum in Ferriday – they will be having a festival on August 3rd.

LOH report was given by Karl Fox reminding everyone of the planned trip to Arkansas September 16-22nd. Also will have ride to Hog Heaven in Biloxi on the 27th KSU 5pm.

Dan Schewe reminded everyone that our Christmas Party will be December 7th at the Yacht Club. Theme will be WWI. Still need volunteers to help with planning and decorating. Mark Aucoin and Ward Blakeman will help coordinate food.

Trip today will be KSU at 11:45.

Submitted by Kay Schewe

New Chapter Facebook Page.

We will be adding / updating the events and pictures from the rides. Don't forget to click the big "Like" button at the top, next to "Northshore HOG Chapter #2147". The page can be accessed by going to



This chapter ride took us to the Crescent City Grill in Hattiesburg. Russ charted a great ride to get there. We rode up to Picayune via the interstate, and from there turned west on 43 to 26 and then to 11, which took us to Hattiesburg. I am sure that Russ did not plan the heavy rain that came through the area. The return trip was via the interstate, where we all got hammered by the rain. Motorcycling is always an adventure.



New member Ray Bennett
at the 7/13 Chapter meeting.

Northshore HOG Chapter #2147

What's Happening!:

July:

27th— 5pm LOH Ride to Hog Heaven in Biloxi, MS

August:

1st— 6:30pm Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night at Silver Slipper Casino
 3rd— 9:30am General Membership Chapter Meeting
 3rd— Chapter Lunch Ride following the meeting (Details to follow-up in the Email)
 10th— Too Broke for Sturgis Ride (Details to follow-up in the Email)
 15th— 6:30pm Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night at Silver Slipper Casino
 17th— 8am-10am Wheels & Coffee at The Village Church in Lacombe, LA
 17th— 5pm LOH Ride to Rocky & Carlos in Chalmette, LA
 23rd— 7pm-10pm LOH Lady HOG Party, Progressive Dinner
 29th— 6:30pm Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night at Silver Slipper Casino
 31st— HOG Touring Challenge Overnight Trip (Sat & Sun)

** All Chapter Rides start at Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley Davidson, unless otherwise specified.

August 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6:30p Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night	2	3 9:30a Chapter Meeting & Ride
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Too Broke for Sturgis Ride
11	12	13	14	15 6:30p Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night	16	17 8a Wheels & Coffee 5pm LOH Ride
18	19	20	21	22	23 LOH Lady HOG Party, Progressive Dinner	24
25	26	27	28	29 6:30p Rumble on the Gulf Bike Night	30	31 HOG Touring Challenge

SKID MARKS

HOG SAFETY TIPS

With the weather, what it has been for the last month or so, I thought we might spend a few moments talking about slipper road surfaces and how best to handle some of them. As we all know, our bikes only have a small tire “contact patch” that is called upon to handle some extensive traction situations. This “traction” is indeed what keeps us up “on the bike” as opposed to it maybe “on us”! Let us look how different things we will encounter on the road, affect our bike’s traction.

Wet pavement, particularly just after it starts to rain can be especially challenging. If the road hasn’t been rained on recently, there will be oil and other surface contaminants that will tend to “float” up causing the surface to be very slick.
Gravel or sand that gets washed down from hills as well as tracked onto the road during and after rain.
Leaves and pine needles on the road are also nothing to take lightly. They can seriously compromise traction.
Lane markings and tar lines (road snakes) are also traction killers. Note: these can be very slippery just from the heat on a dry day.

How do we handle these? Well, this is by no means an all-inclusive list, from an all-knowing rider, but just a few things I’ve picked up over the years from others and experience.

“Reduce Speed” when known reduced traction situations exist.
Increase distance between you and the vehicle in front of you for more time to react to whatever comes your way.
On wet surfaces, ride in one of the two tire tracks of cars.
Use extra care when braking on wet surfaces, always using both front and rear brakes.
Use extra caution when crossing wet lane markers, railroad tracks, bridge grating and manhole covers.
Try to avoid sand, gravel and leaves if possible, but if you must pass over, avoid making any sudden speed or direction changes.

Ride safe and be blessed,
Russ



Mark That Calendar!!!!

The HOG Christmas party is
December 7.
The theme will be WW2. Costumes are
recommended so start planning yours!.



Just a quick heads up about the home that Habitat for Humanity is going to build for a veteran. The person has not yet been chosen nor has the location but the dedication will be on November 11, 2013. That's a Monday and Veterans day. Mark this date as we would like all our members to attend the dedication since we are a supporter of this project.

Mark That Calendar!!!!

Ride Suggestion Form: (Tell us about your favorite place to ride and we will add it our schedule!! Fill this out, Tear off this part of the page and bring to meeting or drop off at the Dealer in our box.

Describe the ride: Roads, sights to see etc. Attach a map?

Possible meal stop location: Lunch, Breakfast etc.

Name: _____ Phone# _____