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It's More Than Just A Ride

By John Clifford

Several months ago Charlotte and I made plans to visit my son and daughter-in-law at their weekend home in Woodstock, NY. After settling on the dates we realized it would be possible to make a side trip to attend the Tennessee HOG rally in Cookeville, TN on the way to New York. Since we would be driving we wouldn't have our bike, but it would be still be fun checking out the vendors; watching the bike games; and attending the concerts. While we didn't ride, the guided and self-guided rides really looked great.

We arrived in Cookeville on Wednesday, May 27. It was a beautiful day with temps in the 70's. If you have never been to the Upper Cumberland region of Tennessee you are truly missing some beautiful country. The mountains are just incredible.

We spent the evening enjoying a local band at the host hotel. On Thursday we went to the Putnam County Fairgrounds visiting all of the vendors and watching some excellent riders practicing for the HOG Skills competition. Thursday evening we attended the Historic Westside Street Party in downtown Cookeville. Music was provided by a local band, there was a bike show, the World Famous Loud Pipes contest, a cruise-in car show, and lots more. There were some beautiful bikes and cars, and some extremely loud pipes. Charlotte shopped in several little stores and we had a wonderful dinner at Father Tom's Pub.

Friday we spent time watching field games and the skills competition, and Friday night we attended The Charlie Daniels Band concert at the Putnam County Fairgrounds. I have seen Charlie Daniels perform several times and he and his band always put on a great show. This concert was no exception. The temperatures all week were in the mid-70's during the day and low 60's at night; just perfect. The TN HOG rally was well worth attending given all the activities and places to ride.

On Saturday, we were off to Woodstock, NY arriving on Sunday, June 1. It was a little rainy but we still were able to spend time visiting the shops in Woodstock. Sunday evenings in Woodstock are very special. From 4-6pm people from around the area come to the Village Green in the center of town for the Drum Circle. Drummers with drums of all types meet and perform some wonderful and entertaining drum rhythms and beats. You just can't stand still listening to the incredible sounds and rhythms.

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Because it rained the drumming didn't take place that day. Charlotte and I had experienced the drum circle in the past and it was so much fun. Check it out on the internet by doing a search for Woodstock NY Drum Circle. I gotta tell you though, it is much, much better to experience it in person.



On Tuesday we visited the Ashokan Reservoir just outside Woodstock in the Catskill Mountains at the eastern end of Catskill Park. It is one of several reservoirs created to provide New York City some 100 miles to the south with water. It is approximately 12 miles long and 1 mile wide with a depth of 190 feet at its deepest point. It is a beautiful place to visit.



Wednesday morning we picked up our rented 2015 Ultra Limited from Woodstock Harley-Davidson, Kingston, NY which became the original capital of the State of New York in 1777. In 1797, however, the state capital was moved to its current location of Albany, NY. After packing the Ultra we programmed our hotel location into the built-in GPS and we were off to the Americade Rally in Lake George, NY about 120 miles north of Woodstock.

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We were eager to get to the rally so we took I-87 north to The Village of Lake George and found a lot of other bikes heading in the same direction. The weather was wonderful – high of 68 and lows in the 40s. We didn't expect to have chilly weather so we didn't bring the leather; we used our rain suit tops to keep warm and it worked very well.

Americade is known as the world's largest multi-brand touring rally. This year they expected 100,000 bikes to attend the seven day event. We arrived mid-morning on Wednesday and the streets were already filled with bikes.



The Adirondack Mountains are so beautiful, and Lake George was just magnificent. The lake runs north-south for about 32 miles and varies from 1 to 3 miles in width.



We spent Wednesday afternoon walking through the vendor expo. There were hundreds of vendors offering anything you can ever imagine for your bike; and more. All the manufactures were there including Harley-Davidson, of course. You could take a demo ride on any Harley you wanted to or for that matter, you could take a ride on any other brand you might like to try out. It took several hours to walk through the vendor area, and of course Charlotte and I bought several

things along the way. We also found time to visit McDermott's Harley-Davidson retail store in Lake George. The full service store is actually located in Ft. Ann, NY a short distance away.

We found a great little restaurant on Canada St. which is where all the action takes place. We had a table upstairs on the outside balcony so we could see and listen to the hundreds of bikes going up and down the street. After dinner we walked along the shoreline and watched the beautiful sunset; what a wonderful evening.

Thursday we spent the day riding some of the most beautiful roads you could imagine. The sky was crystal clear and the temperature was about 70. We rode up State Road 9N hugging the lake until we found Bolton Landing where we stopped for awhile. Of course there were many other bikers doing the same thing.



A friend had told us about The Sagamore Resort located at Bolton Landing. It is an extraordinary place. The resort, located on a small island, has some of the most stunning views of the lake. We had lunch outside overlooking the beautifully manicured grounds and of course the lake itself.



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After lunch we continued to ride 9N exploring different places along the way. It was a great day to ride and the weather, well let's just say it was picture perfect. Thursday evening it was about 50 degrees.

On Friday it was time to head back to Woodstock, NY. The ride back was relaxing and beautiful, and as we headed south we noticed a lot of bikes heading north no doubt to attend Americade. If you ever have an opportunity to travel to upstate New York definitely plan to visit Woodstock and The Village of Lake George. There's so much to see and do.

Saturday we said goodbye to our son and daughter-in-law, and to the beautiful Adirondack Mountains. We traveled south to Slidell and arrived home Sunday, 7 June. We thoroughly enjoyed our twelve days visiting friends in TN and my son and daughter-in-law in NY; and attended two great rallies in Tennessee and New York.



UPCOMING HOG EVENTS

25 Jul - 10 Aug - Sturgis Ride

Departure Time TBD

8 Aug - 09:30 am - Membership Mtg & Ride

11:00am Depart Bruno's For Aunt Jenny's
1217 Washington Ave, Ocean Springs, MS

29 Aug - LOH Ride to Papi's

KSU @ 10:00
1775 S. Range Ave, Denham Springs, LA

12 Sep - 09:30 am - Membership Mtg & Ride

11:00am Depart Bruno's For Rimal Lebanese
Restaurant & Grill
1703 N Causeway Blvd, Mandeville, LA

3 Oct - 09:30 am - Membership Mtg & Ride

11:00am Depart Bruno's For Frenier Landing
113 Lane, LaPlace, LA

7 Nov - 09:30 am - Membership Mtg & Ride

11:00am Depart Bruno's For Hokies
17227 MS 26, Lucedale, MS

5 Dec - 09:30 am - Membership Mtg & Ride

11:00am Depart Bruno's For Blow Fly Inn
1201 Washington Ave, Gulfport, MS



August Birthdays

David

Britta

Teri

Ralph

Glenn

June

Authement

Bradbury

Farmer

Preveau

Semel Sr.

Wolfe

NORTHSHORE HOG MEMBER MARKET

- HD DETACHABLES SISSY BAR UPRIGHT—PART # 52627-09—\$90
- MID-SIZED PASSENGER BACKREST PAD—TOP STITCHED—PART # 52924-98B-\$55
- HD 4-POINT DOCKING HARDWARE KIT PART # 54205-09A—\$80
- CHOPPERSCYCLE DETACHABLE SISSY BAR WITH BACKREST & LUGGAGE RACK FOR 2009-2013 HD TOURING MODEL—\$89
- LRS 8" WINDBLADE FOR 1996-2013 HD FLH WITH LIGHT TINT—\$50
- CALL TERI FARMER @ 970-765-1246

JULY 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 11, 2015

Location: Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley-Davidson Dealership, Slidell, LA

The following officer's were In attendance::

POSITION	NAME	STATUS
Director:	Anna Rinaldo	Present
Asst. Director:	John Clifford	Present
Secretary:	Carol Dussel	Present
Treasurer:	Ray Gregg	Present
Membership Officer:	Frank Lay	Present
Ladies of Harley:	Sonia Fox	Absent
Activities Officer:	Richard Dillon	Present
Editor:	Richard Dillon	Present
Web Master:	Karl Fox	Present
Photographer:	Karl Fox	Present
Chaplain:	Russ Davis	Absent
Historian:	Dwight Bradbury	Absent
Safety Officer:	Russ Davis	Absent
Head Road Captain:	Simon Gonzales	Present

Meeting called to order: Anna called the meeting to order at 9:40 am.

Pledge of allegiance: Larry Cooper

Director's Report: Anna introduced Rachel, the new dealership liaison for the chapter. Rachael spoke about the dealership having events every Saturday for the rest of the month. She said Mandy is now in charge of the dealership's motor clothes section and that a new parts catalog has come out. Next she introduced two new dealership sales persons, Johnny and Daniel.

After Rachael spoke, Anna said we need to start planning the Christmas party and for those willing to help to see Karl after the meeting. She then asked for volunteers to help the dealership with today's event and said she would not be going on today's ride so she could help. She then said our next meeting is being changed to the second Saturday in August and that some of our new Chapter merchandise has come in.

Secretary's Report: Anna asked if the minutes for the June meeting had been published in the newsletter and Richard Dillon said yes. She then asked for a motion to accept the minutes as published. John Clifford made the motion which was seconded by Richard Dillon. The minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Ray advised the Chapter finances are still in the black. He also explained that if members noticed a note beside their name on the sign-in sheet that they need to see him after the meeting to sign a new copy of their membership form.

Membership Officer: Frank said six new members joined the Chapter in the last two months and asked the new members present to introduce themselves. He then announced the July birthdays.

Assistant Director's Report: John talked about the quilt project. He said each quilt will be one of a kind and encouraged members to bring in tee shirts for the project. He also reminded everyone about the new advertising section in the newsletter and said Teri Farmer will be advertising items she wants to sell in the August newsletter. He then mentioned our group rides are getting larger and we need to adhere to safety measures such as staying two seconds behind the bike in front of you and one second behind the person staggered immediately in front of you to your left or right. He said it is really important to maintain proper distances.

Activities and Editor's Officer's Report: Richard announced that we would be going to Coscino's Italian Grill in Mandeville today and that Simon would go over the route when he speaks. He also said more about our quilt project. He told the Chapter it takes sixteen tee-shirts to make one quilt and that we hope to collect enough to make three; one to hang in the dealership that we will sell raffle tickets for through the dealership to award just before Christmas; one to be auctioned off among Chapter members at the Chapter Christmas party; and one to sell over the internet. A sign-up sheet will be available at the next meeting for anyone wanting to help with the project. After the meeting Richard advised that we only collected eight (8) tee-shirts at the July meeting and will need to collect a lot more for us to be able to accomplish our goal. **Please bring any Harley tee-shirts you want to donate for the project to the August meeting and give them to Anna.**

Ladies of Harley Report: In Sonia's absence, Karl noted the LOH ride will be 18 July to the Blow Fly Inn in Bay St. Louis with KSU at 4:00 pm. He said the route and restaurant could be change due to scheduled events in Bay St. Louis that might cause traffic problems.

Head Road Captain's Report: Simon talked about the safety vests the Chapter is planning to order and said that anyone wanting to purchase their own vest can order one and provided the prices for each size. He went over the route for the ride and said Karl will be leading.

Photographer/Web Master/Photographer's Report: Karl asked all new members to meet him after the meeting to have their pictures taken for the newsletter.

50/50: T.J. won \$25.00

Meeting Adjourned: 10:07 am.

June Meeting Ride To Dempsey's



June LOH Ride To Friends



July Meeting Ride



St Jude's Children's Hospital Weekend

By Ray Gregg

Each year, those that attend the Talimena Rally (Crusin' for St Jude) in Texarkana, Arkansas can participate in the presentation of the proceeds to the Saint Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.



This year, only Karl Fox and I were able to go to represent the Slidell contingent. Since we were riding north, I planned to meet Karl at the truck stop just outside Poplarville, Mississippi. The only trouble was that unbeknownst to me, a brand new Love's truck stop had been built in the Poplarville area since the last time I had been there. So, I was waiting for Karl at one truck stop while he was waiting for me at the other one. A quick phone call remedied the situation and Karl and I linked up to took our first coffee break.

The ride to Memphis was fairly uneventful. We rode up I-59 to Hattiesburg, then hopped onto US 49 to Jackson, MS and then up I-55 to Canton, MS where we stopped for fuel. After filling up we found a small Mexican restaurant with plenty of cars and trucks parked outside so we decided it would be a good place to stop for lunch. The air conditioning was well received since the temperature was in the 90s on the way up.

After lunch we got back on the bikes and headed into Memphis, TN. We arrived in time to register and unpack

before wandering over to Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant for dinner.

Since Karl is an avid football (soccer) fan, it had already been agreed that this evening was going to be dedicated to watching the FIFA Women's Quarter Finals, so when we reached the restaurant we found a booth only about ten feet from one of the TV screens. When our waitress arrived, we let her know that we were there for the game and she immediately changed the channel so we could watch the game. Since we were able to walk to the restaurant, beer was the drink of the night. Only one problem, Buffalo Wild Wings was renovating the cooler so all of their draft beers was unavailable.....what a bummer! They had plenty of bottled beer which went well with the several orders of hot wings we ordered. But on to the game.

As most of you may know, the game ended with a one-one tie. Germany went first with the penalty kick shootout and all five shots were good. Then France made four good shots, but on the last kick, Germany's goalie blocked the kick giving Germany the win. The game was a good one as anyone could tell from the exhaustion on all the women's faces. They had both played their all, and Karl and I were done as well, so we headed back to the hotel to make ready for the next day.

Saturday, Karl and I met up with the group from Texarkana and we all rode over to St Jude's together. As is custom, the hospital representative met us and with an oversize cardboard check ready to write in the amount. This year the Talimena Rally raised \$21,191.25 for St Jude for a three year total of over \$70k; not bad for a bunch of bikers.



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After the presentation, we took a tour of the facility and then took a short ride to the Harley Davidson (Southern Thunder) dealership. As before, the dealership provided the Talimena group a lunch of hotdogs and hamburgers.

Next stop, Graceland. Karl had never been to Graceland and it had probably been ten years since I had been there so we both agreed it would be a good way to spend the afternoon. When we pulled into the parking area and they asked for \$10 per bike we were a bit shocked, but it was the hour and a half wait to even get into the mansion that made Karl decide it was not worth it.

We headed over to the Bumpus Harley shop by way of the city streets and thoroughly enjoyed the ride. From there we headed over to the PT Boat museum but it was closed. From there we went over to Mulligans, a beer tavern, but it was closed, so we tried another drinking establishment, only to find it had gone out of business too. That's when we began to think there was some kind of conspiracy in progress against us since the temperature was in the high 90s. We desperately needed an oasis to cool down, and that's when Karl spotted a Chili's. We were saved; and not only that, but we hit half price hour. All of this just to buy some time before heading to the Germantown Commissary, a Bar-B-Q place that occupies a century old country store.



We both gorged ourselves on ribs, sausage, and brisket . . . it was great! Neither of us could eat everything on our plates; the portions were unbelievable, but when we saw the deserts on the table next to us we could not resist. Karl had

mentioned the banana pudding was to die for so that's what we ordered. As we rolled out of the restaurant we found we had a little daylight left to make it back to the hotel and ready ourselves for the ride home.

Sunday started with breakfast at Waffle House, and since Karl and I were in no hurry to get home we took back roads all the way home. We began on US 51 (many of the sections were label "Scenic Highway") parallel I-55. The road had rolling hills and tree lined shoulders that offered shade for most of the ride until we crossed over to the east side of I-55.

The road was good until we jumped onto MS 13 when the rolling hills began again. At Prentiss we headed west on HWY 587, and I wanted Karl to ride it in its entirety. A lot of the Chapter have ridden on HWY 587 to Red Bluff only to turn around and return. I have ridden the complete length of this road before and thought it to be one of the best rides within a 100 mile radius. It has a lot of twists and turns, and rolling hills. The roads surface has a little bit to be desired but it's acceptable. Karl obviously liked the road since I couldn't keep up with him!!!

The trip was almost over . . . so we headed for Bogalusa. Karl remained for a while as we discussed future rides and then he was off to Slidell and the last 45 miles. As with any ride there is a let down when it is all over, but the ride was great and the presentation at St Jude's made the trip even better. Next up.....Sturgis!!!!!!

DEALERSHIP EVENTS

1 Aug - Blue Knights MS II Poker Run

8 Aug - Beat The Heat Ice Cream /Snowball Social

12 Sep - Shriner's Poker Run

10 Oct - Breast Cancer Bikers For Boobs Pink Ride

30 Oct - Halloween Party

21 Nov - Happy Harley Thanksgiving Party

27 Nov - Black and Orange Friday

12 Dec - Toys For Tots

PASSING THE FLAG

