

# EXHAUST NOTES

The Newsletter of the All American Harley Owners Group, Chapter #3887



## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Rob Stirling

*Hello Fellow H.O.G. Members*

As we begin 2024, I hope everyone is doing well. Hopefully, you've been enjoying some of the nice riding days we've had. As a chapter, 2024 has started strong with several rides and events. We have a lot more planned throughout the year, including our monthly H.O.G. Grilling at the dealership that started in March, along with our annual picnic, holiday party, and of course plenty of riding.

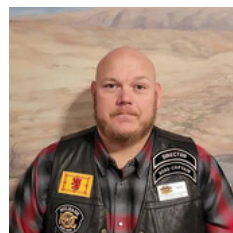
Our H.O.G. officers serve a two-year term, making 2024 the last year for the current directors. Because of this, we're actively looking for future officers. If you are interested in becoming a chapter officer or would just like to know more about what each position entails please reach out to any officer, Lyndon, or me and we would be glad to explain. There is also a form on our website that you can submit and we will reach out to you.

Let's have a great year of riding and don't forget to log your miles for **RIDE 365** and help the chapter reach our goal of **ONE MILLION MILES!!!**

Every mile counts and you can also log passenger miles.

Remember you must have a starting mileage reading, so stop by All American and make sure you don't miss out on miles.

**Ride Safe and Have Fun!!!**



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Stories, Discoveries, and Road Tripping





## ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Nick McConnell



What a great start to 2024! Our chapter members stayed busy through the winter months, starting with the Polar Bear ride on January 1. We continued with our monthly socials, breakfast, lunch, Ms. Phyllis' famous chicken ride, and then kicked off the 2024 cheesesteak challenge ride on President's Day. So far, our members have logged 27,641 miles this year!

On the topic of miles, the audit for 2023 RIDE 365 is still in progress and we hope to hear results soon. As Rob mentioned in his post, we have One Million All American H.O.G. miles as our goal in 2024 and we have a good chance of making it because of all the planning our RCs and officers have already done. The calendar is filled with something for everyone -- local rides, social events, and distance rallies. Now's a good time to start thinking about where the road will take you this year.

### RALLIES

- May 13-22 Tour of Valor H.O.G. Touring Rally (FL) \*; led by Doc Truesdale
- June 2-10 Rally Up Laconia Touring Ride \*; led by Ed Wilbur
- June 21-24 Route 16 4-Day Ride; led by Warren Clare
- July 9-14 Iron Adventure H.O.G. Rally (VT) \*; led by Todd Brooks
- August 21-25 Wild and Wonderful Rally (WV) \*; no host hotel

*\*Registration Required*



### ANNUAL AA H.O.G. EVENTS:

- August 11 Annual Picnic @AAHD
- September 27-29 HOGS at the Beach (HATB), Francis Scott Key Resort, Ocean City, MD  
> Registration is open; 800-213-0088, Password is "Lone Wolf"
- December 14 Holiday Party (Italian food)@Leonardtown Fire Department
- December 31 New Year's Eve ride/celebrate overnight in Leonardtown; Reservations:  
Inn at Leonardtown, H.O.G. New Years Eve Group (Group #UV7612).  
Guest responsible for all charges.

Please check our [calendar](#) often for updates and plan to have some great wind therapy this year!

# 2024



# Head Road Captain's Log

Fellow All American H.O.G. Chapter Members,

Happy New Year and 1st Quarter of 2024!



Well as I stated last year here, we are in the third month of the New Year already! By the time you receive this, we will be there! A quick summary of these first months:

In January we had our first (and maybe only) Road Captain (RC) meeting for the year where we discussed a plan/path forward for this year. February was a little mild and we got out for our monthly meeting and rides. Debbie Brooks has been doing a great job setting up socials and rides leading to them! It's been a great way to start the new year. Please come on out and support your RCs for their dedication to planning rides for all of us to enjoy!

Nick McConnell already shared information about the upcoming rallies, touring rallies, and other activities, and he gives monthly updates during our chapter meeting. Feel free to ask him for more information about these events or find more information on the AA H.O.G. [website](#). Members are already signing up to participate in a few H.O.G. rallies and H.O.G. touring rallies, so don't hesitate to register.

As I continue to be your Head Road Captain (HRC), I want to reiterate what I said at the beginning of last year. My main goal is to ensure we have as many quality rides as possible this year. Quantity is not my most important goal so don't focus on the number of rides; instead, look at whether the ride is well-planned and the destination is worth visiting! I want you all to have rides that you enjoy! So, once again, I ask each chapter member to put on your thinking cap and envision a ride you might like to see added to our calendar! This can be a short and close-to-home ride or a longer and more enduring ride. As a reminder, we promote ride diversity -- we CAN have more than one ride on any given day. Don't be shy about sharing your ideas and make your ultimate ride a reality! We, as your road captains will work very hard to help make these rides come to fruition.

Last year we tried with little success, unfortunately, to infuse the old RiDE Chief program and even renamed it, the "Ride Ambassador" program. Sadly, it never could get off the ground or up and rolling, so we abandoned it. Why am I rehashing this? well... it's simple, if ANYONE would like to suggest or propose a ride there is still a "Ride Suggestion" form on our website that can be used to ask about/for a future ride.

A plug out there for future Road Captains... During this 1st Quarter of 2024, Joe Stalcup and Doug Mills finished up their Road Captain Candidate checklists and officially became All American H.O.G. Road Captains. Please join me in congratulating and welcoming them to the team!

If anyone has or thinks they might want to join the RC team, please reach out to any one of our awesome RCs, myself, and/or our chapter leadership and we can make that dream a reality for you! Don't be shy - if I can do it anyone can!

In closing, please come on out and join us for a great year of riding and camaraderie!

Cheers,  
Ed



# Rides & Events



Be sure to check Rob's weekly E-Blast and our Facebook page for the latest scoop, specific details, and last-minute changes about Chapter rides & events.

- April 13: Battle by the Bay Ride  
LOH Movie Night (p.12)
- April 14: Memorial Brick Laying (p.7)
- April 23: Pink Moon Ride
- April 28: Britain 'on the Green Ride
- May 4: International Female Riders Day (p.13)
- May 12: Mother's Day Ride
- May 18: Celebrate Women Riders (MDAMRA)
- May 26: Rolling to Remember
- June 8: Kilmarnock Cruise
- June 21: Strawberry Moon Ride
- June 29: LOH Ride to George Washington's Birthplace

## MDAMRA Events

Date	Event	Sponsor
June 1	Poker Run	Fort Washington
June 15	Primary Event	Old Glory
June 29	Bike Show	First State
July 27	Wanna Get Lucky	District
August 10	Poker Run	Chesapeake
October 12	Crab Run Event	MDAMRA



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**Meet • Greet • & RIDE**

**EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**

MORE INFO: [WWW.ALLAMERICANHOG.COM](http://WWW.ALLAMERICANHOG.COM)

JOIN US FOR AN INFORMAL LUNCH MEET & GREET - THEN TAKE OFF ON A RIDE!

- Burgers & Dogs grilled by AAHOG from 11-2
- Meet & Greet w/ Officers & Fellow members
- New Member orientation & Q/A
- Patch sewing available by Cindy SewWhat!
- Group Ride leaves the dealership at 3

Starts Feb 2023  
Group ride is weather permitting

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## Monthly

APRIL 20, MAY 18,  
JUNE 15

**LEARN HOW TO CLEAN UP YOUR ACT**

**SATURDAY APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup> 1PM**

**Road Scholar SEMINAR**

**GET TIPS TO CLEAN YOUR BIKE THE RIGHT WAY**  
FROM HEADLIGHT TO TAIL LIGHT!

WE WILL SHOW YOU THE CORRECT SUPPLIES, GEAR YOU CAN WANT TO A SPARKING CLEAN BIKE!

LIMITED SPACE! PLEASE REGISTER TODAY AT THE PARTS COUNTER OR VIA [ALLAMERICANHARLEY.COM](http://ALLAMERICANHARLEY.COM)

**DEMO DAY**

**APR 20<sup>TH</sup> 11-3PM**

**TEST RIDE THE REVOLUTIONARY 2024 H-D MODELS**

GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK & RECEIVE A ONE OF A KIND ROAD/STREET GLIDE CHALLENGE COIN FOR PARTICIPATING!

FIRST 20 REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY GIFT

RSVP HERE

GRAND AMERICAN LAUNCH PARTY RAIN DATE - ALL RSVP'S HONORED





### LOH Ladies Getaway Weekend in Rehoboth Beach is planned for this October!

*Details are being worked out and space is limited, so if you're interested in hearing more, get on the "insiders" list by emailing Renee & Becky at: [loh@allamericanhog.com](mailto:loh@allamericanhog.com)*

### WE'VE BEEN BUSY!



#### LOH Sock Hop

Well, if you missed the LOH Sock Hop, you certainly missed a good time. On February 10th, forty-three chapter members danced the night away to music from the 50s through the 90s. We even danced the Hokie-Pokie! Everyone got right into the spirit by dressing up in clothing from their favorite era -- there were plenty of poodle skirts, pink ladies, greasers, and hippies - who knew we had so many hippies... Hmmm... LOL! It was a fun night with great snacks, photo props, and positive vibes. A special thanks to Courtney Stirling for being our DJ. She did a fantastic job compiling music from the generations and listened as we reminisced about those great and long-ago high school days.

*Groovy*



#### LOH Swap and Sell

Who knew what treasures have been hiding in our closets? Our members jumped in to gather their new and gently used Harley memorabilia for our first LOH Swap and Sell on March 16th. Eight tables under the tent in front of AAHD were filled with bike gear, maintenance equipment, and clothes. We loved seeing the smiles as people scored bargains and found one-of-a-kind collectibles. It was a very successful event, and we're planning another for the fall.

At the same time as our event, AAHD hosted its 2023 Riding Academy Class Reunion. A main attraction was Doc's demonstration of how to pick up a bike after it's dropped. It was surprising to learn that how many riders didn't know how! Enjoy the pictures on this and the next page!



### LADIES OF HARLEY (LOH)

LOH was established by the Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) to encourage female members to become more involved in chapter activities. Ladies of Harley is not a separate organization from H.O.G., but rather an additional benefit for all female members. It is not women trying to separate from the men but rather trying to encourage more members to be involved. By joining the All American H.O.G. Chapter, you are automatically thought to be a member of LOH and will be included on the e-mail list so you can be aware of all LOH activities.





SWAP &  
SELL



SWAP &  
SELL



You  
**GOT**  
this



Join Us for LOH Movie Night

April 13, 7 PM

(see flyer on the last page)

UNTIL NEXT TIME..... "LIVE TO RIDE, RIDE TO LIVE"  
-- RENE AND BECKY



# Memorial Brick Laying Ceremony



## Sunday, April 14

*This year's Spring Brick Memorial Ceremony will be held on Sunday April 14, 2024, at 1pm. The honorees are Willie Bolton and Butch Dill. Their families and friends are traveling from Alaska and Boston for this event. Come out and join us as we honor these Chapter members and help support their families through this difficult time.*





# SAFETY Rx WITH DOC TRUESDALE

Spring has sprung, clocks have been turned forward, weather is getting warmer, rain is here, flowers are blooming, trees are budding. All this leads to more riding, however be aware of slick roads, pollen and allergies, vehicles not used to looking for us on the roads. Cool mornings, warm afternoon, and cool again in the evening.



If you have not ridden during the winter time, give your bike a good once over (TCLOCS) and be sure it is ready for your enjoyment. Once you have checked out your bike, take it for a short ride around the neighborhood to get your “riding refresher” completed and be ready for the All American H.O.G. rides on the calendar.

This also brings in the season called “construction”, the upgrading of poor roads, bridges, and the building of new roads. Locally we can “ride around” the work area on some great back roads. When traveling we may not have that luxury, so be ready for anything while out riding.





Farming..... This is also planting season for our farmers. They move equipment along our roads from farm to field.



When passing be patient  
and be kind, share the road.



Don't forget to turn in your Ride 365 miles! Need ideas?? You may want to check out the "50 Rides One Nation" H.O.G. member challenge -- with the promise of the "ride of a lifetime" in each state, the planning is already done. All you have to do is collect the challenge coin! For details, click [here](#).

Ride and have Fun  
Doc



REMEMBER DOC'S

## Thoughts of the day

A MOTORCYCLE IS NOT JUST A MACHINE, IT IS AN EMOTION

ON A MOTORCYCLE NO ONE EVER ASKS, "ARE WE THERE YET?"





## JOURNEYS

# Its All About the Ride

AND EVERYONE LOVES SHARING RIDING  
STORIES. GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW H.O.G.  
MEMBERS BY READING ABOUT THEIR JOURNEYS  
AND BY SHARING YOUR OWN EXPERIENCES

IN THIS ISSUE:

-WINTER VACATION



*WE LOVE YOUR STORIES AND PHOTOS!!*  
*SEND TO: **EDITOR@ALLAMERICANHOG.COM***  
*(YOU'LL EVEN EARN POINTS & 50/25/25 TICKETS)*

# Winter Vacation

Doc Truesdale

Over the winter months, we have had some nice days for riding and visiting. I was able to attend some chapter socials, chapter rides, and dealer events. I even went to a birthday party (Wally). These events and rides made the winter months go by with ease. I also made sure to do some maintenance on my bikes, getting them ready for spring and summer riding.

Looking forward to this year, I've signed up for a couple of rallies: (i) the Wild and Wonderful regional rally in Charleston, WV, and (ii) the Tour of Valor touring rally, leaving Pensacola, FL and riding to Arlington Cemetery, VA. I'm also looking forward to a couple of long-distance day rides over the next few months.

Keep an eye on the calendar for some exciting rides and events over the next few months. Now is the time to plan for that "big ride vacation" this summer. Get on your computers, find your maps and brochures, and check out the places you want to go. Some day is TODAY, and "someday" never comes.

While waiting for some of the events I've signed up for, I'm riding my motorcycle to work and to get errands done. This way I'm rolling up the Ride 365 miles AND saving gas \$\$ in my truck and car. But most of all, I'm enjoying the ride.

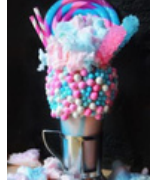




A movie night event poster with a red curtain border. The text is centered and reads: **LOH**  
**MOVIE NIGHT**  
Come join us, sit around the firepit  
and watch a movie  
Popcorn, Soda, Water provided.  
You can also bring your own beverage.  
Limited chairs available, so if you have  
a chair (chair in a bag)  
please feel free to bring it.  
**Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Location: Penny's House  
Movie: Top Gun Maverick  
RSVP by April 10th via  
Chapter Facebook Page Event Post or  
send email to [LOH@allamerican.com](mailto:LOH@allamerican.com)  
At the bottom, there is a film strip on the left and a popcorn bucket on the right.



**MDAMRA Celebrating Female Riders**  
**Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> 2024 12:00pm**  
**The Crazy Mason Milkshake Bar**  
8225 Main Street, Ellicott City



Ladies, Gentlemen, Riders & Passengers

Join Maryland and Delaware chapters in celebrating female riders.

Francine will be leading a ride from Old Glory at 10:00 am. This is a good meeting spot for All American, Fort Washington and Old Glory. We should arrive in Ellicott City by 10:45. Time to park, get some group pictures and shop before meeting up at The Crazy Mason.

Here is a link to Old Ellicott City, with information on shops, food and entertainment.

[Home – VisitOldEllicottCity](#)

If you have any lady road captains who would like to help with this ride let her know, Reminder this is a walking town. Recommend lots D and F.

- All American: Becky Dunn & Rene Wilbur - [LOH@AllAmericanHOG.com](mailto:LOH@AllAmericanHOG.com)
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Check your chapter calendars or contact a chapter representative for details of departure locations and ride times,

