



## **ALL AMERICAN HOG CHAPTER MEETING**

at Dorsey Park, Hollywood, MD

Saturday, 21 August 2021

Meeting called to order at 12:30 pm, by the Director, Kevin McConnell

Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Filyac

### **Director: Kevin McConnell**

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
- Thanked Lyndon for hosting, even though we are not at the dealership. We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for him.
- Thanked Gigi for bringing desserts
- Always looking for volunteers to help, sign-up sheet up front for various things.
- We will continue to have the Chapter Meetings at the Dealership on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm
- Editor position has been filled. Greg Bouton has graciously offered to be the editor. Thank you
- 18 people on the Ride to the Meeting.
- E-Blast. Implement change, feedback requested. Information is posted on the website and FB page to add as a safe sender.
- Ride pictures – put on FB or send to Chet at Photographer@allamericanh-dhog.com
- Ride 365 Mileage Check – get one of the HD employees to go out and get your mileage. Give your sheets to Lyndon
- Picnic – How many people attended the Picnic, outside of the rain what did you think? How about the refund! Did you like what we did this time. Everyone was clapping and yelling Yeah!!
- Some Gave All Ride – This will be the last one that will be held. Let's see if we can get some participation. Not sure when the ride will be, but will let you know
- Regarding Email – our email will be changing. It will come out in an Eblast as well.

### **Dealer Rep – Lyndon Abell**

- Some how I missed the email, but I'm super charged, that the National HOG Rally will be held at Solomon's next year. We will be involved both as the chapter and dealership. We will be putting on the Antique Bike show, which will be June 25, 2022. And I have already reached out to the people I know to make this happen. Doing a

Saturday afternoon/evening party, stay open a little longer and shuttle folks up from Solomon's to the dealership. Looking forward to it.

- Fred Heppner asked me to discuss something you are not supposed to do (Lugging your motor) that he feels lots of folks do anyway. "Lugging" is when you run your motor at lower RPMs with higher loads. Cruising down a hill in 6th gear at 55 is not a problem but accelerating when you are going up a hill in 6th gear at 55 with a passenger on the back is bad for your V-twin. For break in miles HD instructs you not to go over a certain RPM limit but also asks you not to lug the motor- many folks are focused much more on staying under the RPM limit and because of that can end up lugging their motor. A few extra RPMs are not going to hurt just remember to use more gentle throttle inputs when you are still doing your break-in.
- Danny has new t-shirt designs that celebrating Southern MD! In the past they always had to say Hughesville, MD but that is a small crossroads, and we represent So MD. It has taken us awhile, but we have approval to make those changes, our hats say So MD and in the future our T-shirts will say So MD. We are super excited.
- We are just about ready to start seminars again. We had one on the books for September, then we got indoor mask mandates, so I'm not sure what's going to happen. We will send out emails when we know more.
- A special Thanks to all that helped at the Sturgis event, and all the events where we reach out for help. We appreciate it. Special Thanks to Rob and Christina for the heavy lifting they did and everyone that was there, Thank you
- My Red Road Glide is Awesome! and it's for Sale.

### **Assistant Director - Rob Stirling**

- HOG Rally will be held in Solomon's, MD for year 2022. I really don't know much, but I know the host hotel will be the Holiday Inn, if you plan to go book early.
- Hogs at the Beach – October 1 – 3, 2021. How many people are going? It's the 30<sup>th</sup> year they are doing things different.
- October 1 & 2<sup>nd</sup> they are still working out some of the planning. On Friday, they are on your own rides, DJ Social, trying to work out a group dinner somewhere, but that hasn't been worked out yet. On Saturday, Guided rides, cook out free to everybody, Raffle and give a way, another social, bike games. Basically, one huge Block Party
- 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Challenge coins, \$10 each, Also, T-shirts that are \$20 each. We are also limited on the number of Challenge coins this chapter we have 20 available,

### **Secretary – Debbie Kirby –**

- **Bumped and Bruise Report:**
- Frank Nuhfer

Per Frank's post. I am bruised. On Kevin McConnell's ride to the Chesapeake HD, I was tail gunner. As we were riding up a road that billy goats would find

challenging a rider about 3-5 bikes in front of me m hit some gravel and went down. Everyone behind him stopped, as did I. I didn't see the accident but as each rider stopped, so did I. I had plenty of distance between the rider in front of me, and didn't really have to make a panic stop, I was in first gear, both feet down, front brake applied, but my right foot was about 12" lower than my left. No problem, bike is vertical well for about 2 seconds. Suddenly my bike started skidding backwards. Oh crap! I tried, but in vain, to keep the bike balanced, but as the front wheel skidded, I lost ability to steer. I got over center and I went down. As I tried to fly like a bird, my wings failed me. I hit the ground on my elbow, then my right shoulder and the my almost brand-new helmet hit the pavement. My bike with 91,049 miles on it, a bike that has only had rubber down, fell over going 1 mph backwards. Xray showed nothing broke, fractured or dislocated. Saturday (Today) I have an MRI with a doctor appt on Wednesday. I can't raise my right arm without using my left are to pick it up, Kevin McConnell has checked up on me every day. My bike is in the shop, and that's my article for the bumped and bruised

- Joe Darnall – Former Member
  - Had accident on Sunday, in SD. He has a few broken ribs and collapsed lung, He was discharged yesterday, he's home now resting, His bike was totaled. He was ran off the road by a truck with a trailer
- Good News – Nothing to report
- Continue Sending Prayers and Happy Thoughts of support for Greg Hubbard. Kevin stated on another note regarding Greg – His numbers are up; transplant seems to be working. But last Tuesday, they didn't know if he was going to make it to Wednesday. He received all the cards and really enjoyed them, I took a video of you guys riding in today, so I will be sending that to him. Also, I'm going to his house and start up his bike up and make a recording of it saying, "I'm Waiting For YOU!" and send to him.

#### **Membership Officer – Beth Truesdale**

- Members 468

**BREAK – If you have a birthday in August, stand up. HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL**

**Get your 50/25/25 Tickets –**

#### **Head Road Captain – Doc Truesdale**

- If you have Ride Ideas – contact any Road Captain or Primary Officer, Web page ride suggestion form, or leave a note/contact info in the Chapter Mailbox
- Ride Chief. If you don't want to lead rides as an RC, and you have a cool place(s) in mind to go, plan it, identify a RC you would like to lead it. Get it on the calendar.

- Reviewed RC duties and responsibilities. Our chapter needs you.
- If you're interested in becoming a future RC, let Doc, Matt, Kevin or Rob know.
- HOGS ON THE BEACH – how many going? We have some rides going – 1 on Thursday, 1 on Friday and 1 on Saturday for the day. I'm going Thursday, but I'm taking the cage and other things with me, so I won't be able to ride. So, if you're a RC, if you can take one of these rides that would be great.
- Sam Grow band – go on your own
- Two and half weeks (2 ½) NO RIDES ON THE CALENDAR – What the heck – RC's let's put some rides up

### **Up Coming Rides:**

- RC Kevin McConnell - Wednesday, August 25th – Challenge Book Ride – AAHD, Pre-brief 5:30 pm, Kick stands up at 5:45 pm – Destination Depends
- RC Rob Stirling – Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – 9/11 Ride – AAHD, Pre-brief 11am, Kick stands up 11:15am
- RC Kevin McConnell – Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – Check Calendar for information
- RC – Bob Smith – Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Moo's Ride – Check calendar for information
- RC - ?? - Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> – Slice House – Hope someone will step up and led a ride
- RC – Doc or Beth Truesdale – Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – One will be Leading ride the other will be driving truck. Check Calendar for more information
- Website for Rallies – there's only a few left

### **Assistant Road Captain – Matt Allen**

- Two new Road Captain's received their patches – Gary Davis and Rick Smitha
- These two gentlemen recently went out and completed their RC rides, Congratulations on that
- Matt performed a ceremony
- Asked all RC's stand up and RC's in training stand up. If you have any questions or need guidance, you can reach out to any one of these. Nick and Greg are in training now

Kevin Jumped in again before Todd got up : Last weekend on my ride, I had two riders go down, one was backwards and sliding, Glad to report that they are both here, walking around, no one was seriously injured. However, someone keeps telling me to quit hovering over him, because I was checking in on him every day. Glad you're both here today. Frank stated it took at least 6 guys to pick up his bike and he wasn't one of them. All the guys that came around me, above me, below me – Thank you all for picking up my bike.

### **Safety Officer – Todd Brooks**

- Topic for tonight is Numb hands-fatigue issues:
- Relax the death grip
- Don't hold upper body weight
- Just guide the MC

- Use legs to guide the MC
- Adjust bars and seat & pegs
- Wear gel gloves & not too tight
- If too much vibration check tire/wheel and suspension
- Use cruise control - shake right hand to get the blood flowing or pump hand up and down
- Maybe motor mounts worn
- Aftermarket grips smaller?
- Aftermarket seat/position/height
- Backrests
- Foot peg position, type?
- Seat sheepskin, beads

**Trivia Questions: None this month**

### **Treasurer – Barbara Allen**

- Net gain/loss since last month, current balances.
- Beginning Balance - \$15374.61
- Expenses - \$2189.72
- Deposits – \$575.00
- Ending Balance - \$13,759.89
- Expenses consisted of Picnic (\$1792.19), Activity and Secretary supplies, monthly treats and deposit on Holiday Hall Rental
- Deposits consisted of ice cream sales (\$45), Tips from working dealership (\$140), Picnic 50/25/25 and Picnic donations
- Projections of expenses Holiday Party budgeting \$6,600.00 before ticket sales.

### **DOOR PRIZES**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DONATED BY</b>	<b>WON BY</b>
Cup	Doc Truesdale	Wally Simpkin
Koozie	David Lee	Jurgen Smith
Poker Chips	David Lee	Bernie Wunder

### **Activities – Christina Stirling (with Rob Speaking)**

- Sign up for Teams!
- Watch for Upcoming Socials:

- Social, Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Leonardtown Square, Leonardtown, MD – Time for concert is 5pm – 7pm. A local guy Sam Grow – Old School Music
- Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Dealership Appreciation Luncheon – Potluck. We need volunteers to cook, bring paper supplies, drinks, or you can donate money. A question was asked, we don't get the money – No you don't get the money, you won't even see the money. A lot of people donate because they don't have time to cook. There is a signup sheet at the August meeting and an online link ([www.PerfectPotluck.com/LPML3864](http://www.PerfectPotluck.com/LPML3864)) you can sign in as to what you are bringing.
- Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – Bike Night – Mrs. Moo's Corner, Prince Frederick (Fundraiser) 4 pm – 8 pm. It will be used to help the chapter and help with family at Christmas. There isn't a ride yet, but we're still looking at September. Todd asked can you donate – Yes, just state what the donation is for
- Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> – Social – Slice House Original - (41565 Park Ave, Leonardtown, MD) 5 pm – 8 pm. Please RSVP to [activities@allamericanh-dhog.com](mailto:activities@allamericanh-dhog.com)
- Fun Stuff – Holiday Party – January 22, 2022, 6 – 10 pm. How many people have been to Holiday Inn, how many people don't want to go back to the Holiday Inn? Well, we aren't going back to the Holiday Inn, we are going to the Leonardtown Firehouse. Ticket \$30. Completely different caterer. Question was asked why we are not going back to the holiday inn. Hold On – we are getting to that. Reasons for not going back: we can't have our own caterer, the food sucks, so we can do a lot more at the Firehouse
  - Menu will be Braised Short ribs, Chicken Chesapeake, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls.
  - Our own Bar – the Chapter will be setting up our own bar and selling drinks at reasonable prices.
  - As for driving and staying – there is a newly renovated hotel in the Square, which is 2-2.5 blocks from the Firehouse. Beth stated will have designated walkers to walk you to the hotel.
  - We are working with the hotel, which have many owners, one of the owners has a Trolley Service – very possible we may be able to get that
  - After the party is over, there are several places that are still open, you can continue to party.
  - Plan on having several door prizes, we will be having a raffle for a Basket of Cheer, if anyone wants to donate to that bring a bottle to any meeting before or give to one of us.
  - Waiting on conformation from the hotel, they are going to give us a block of rooms (starting with 10 rooms) Room Rate is \$105. Once we get conformation, we will Eblast out information
  - Holiday Tickets will be on sale next month
  - We're changing things up, trying to stay fresh, if this doesn't work out, we'll find someplace else to go
- Looking for volunteers to sell Ice Cream on Saturdays at the Dealership. **The more we make selling ice cream the cheaper the tickets will cost.**
- **Can't make this happen without your help.**

## **Rob – Before I finish up with Activities**

- Greg Bouton has volunteered to be the Editor. We will make up a schedule and to when we will start posting. So, start writing up your articles, and we will get his email set up so it will be easier to send to Greg (Editor)

- **T-SHIRT GAME**

**For the new members – there are chips in this bag for every state except MD, but there is a chip for All American. The chip that is drawn and the winner or winners will split the prize. If they are wearing that state.**

- \$10 next month – Nevada - 2 winners – Rene Wilbur and Jim Filyac - \$5.00 each
- \$10 next month

## **50/25/25 DRAWING**

1<sup>st</sup> Winner: Scott Blevins \$40

2<sup>nd</sup> Winner: Bernie Wunder \$40

Please send me an email, letting me know what I'm doing right or wrong, what I can do to make things better, need more ride suggestions on our calendar. If you have a favorite ride, send it to me and I will have Lyndon or Jessica put it on the Ride Board that's in the back.

**Meeting was called to be adjourned at 1:35 pm. Please clean up and throw away any trash. Thank everyone for coming, safe travels home. Next meeting will be Thursday, 16 September 2021 at AAHD**

## **Additional RC Information**

### **Road Captain Orientation Rides:**

- These will be scheduled 1-2 times per month, weather permitting, and includes an ice cream stop
- Select RC guidelines covered first as a refresher, followed by a briefing and shakedown ride afterward
- At the conclusion of the ride there will be a post ride discussion for a question and answer opportunity
- Open to existing Road Captains and RC candidates
- See calendar for next ride information

### **Welcome Rides:**

- These will be scheduled 1-2 times per month, weather permitting, and includes an ice cream stop
- Briefings will be covered in detail to ensure all riders have a complete understanding, followed by a question and answer opportunity
- These will vary with short and easy rides assisting members to feel comfortable and confident with group riding
- Open to all members, regardless of experience level
- See the calendar for the next welcome ride details

By offering RC Orientation Rides, the goal; is to assist our RC's and RC Candidates an opportunity to either build and/or refresh each member's skill set for group riding. The welcome Rides offer a similar benefit for all members, regardless of experience level. Finally, the combination of these two types of rides held monthly should build on the knowledge and confidence levels for our members, thus increasing both ride events and increased attendance. Adding to that, Gov Hogan has (1) lifted the outdoor mask mandate and ended outdoor dining restrictions, (2) lifted capacity limits on both outdoor and indoor venues, (3) ended the statewide mask mandate. It's been 14 months of restrictions, and many of us can agree that we might be a bit rusty, so now is the time to work at resuming our skill sets.