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# CHAPTER NEWS

## April 2020



## COVID-19 and Pig Trail H.O.G. Events

- Dave "Judge" Patterson - Director

After many conversations with Kyle Johnson, Warren Sherman, and Garry Raymond about COVID-19 and what PTHD and PTHD HOG Chapter 2075 roles should be to protect our HOG

Chapter members, our goal is to keep our members as safe as possible.

Our current events are changing rapidly every day. With this in mind we are cancelling/postponing all activities, rides and meetings for April. Additional changes to events, rides, and other motorcycle related activities will be decided on a case by case basis. We will notify our members by email, HOG Central Information Center at PTHD, and Facebook posts. Each Road Captain that has scheduled weekday rides, dinner rides, or weekend rides will have the option to cancel that ride upon their judgement from the current CDC and AR state requirements.

Best case situation, common sense should dictate your discussion to participate in rides, events, and other motorcycle related activities that are offered.

Do not have your feelings hurt, if someone doesn't want to shake your hand or give you a hug. Be respectful of their personal space.

### Ride your Ride.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me, [director@pigtrailhog.com](mailto:director@pigtrailhog.com) - Judge Patterson

What is coronavirus disease 2019?

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

Can I get COVID-19?

Yes. COVID-19 is spreading from person to person in parts of the world. Risk of infection from the virus that causes COVID-19 is higher for people who are in close contact of someone known to have COVID-19, for example healthcare workers, or household members. Other people at higher risk for infection are those who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

People can help protect themselves from respiratory illness with everyday preventive actions.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

Learn more about places with ongoing spread at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/transmission.html>

The current list of global locations with cases of COVID-19 is available on CDC's web page at

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>



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## Arkansas Motorcycling Guide

This route planner highlights great motorcycle destinations and attractions around the state in a format you can bring with you wherever you go. Use it as a motorcycle route planner on the road or keep it around the house to inspire future trips.

Order the guide or view online at: [www.arkansas.com/motorcycling](http://www.arkansas.com/motorcycling)



Interested or Going?

★ Interested ✓ Going

If you are going on a ride, make sure to mark it on Facebook so we have accurate counts for restaurant reservations and can plan properly.



## Making a Difference and Having Fun

- Debbie "Keeper" Raymond - LOH

Thank you to all who donated suitcases and backpacks for the Children's Shelter. It was truly awesome and the shelter was so thankful!  
Thank you all who rode to shelter, took the tour, and enjoyed a great lunch!



Ladies, The 1st Responder Cookie Drive has been postponed until **June 13th**, at Pig Trail. Let's show our first responders how much we appreciate all they do for us by giving them baked cookies and wrapped candy! If you don't bake, individual wrapped candy is easy to find! Please bring 4-5 dozen cookies or candy. We will make trays up, deliver them, and then enjoy a group lunch.

May 17 is the date for the Mystery Dinner -- 12:30 at Deb Raymond's House, Ladies only, \$15 per person. The signup and pay deadline is May 2 at that Chapter meeting. Don't miss this great experience. Lots of fellowship, new friends and fun!

## Did You Know: Harley Produced Bicycles for a Short Time



When Harley-Davidson examined the market, they determined that they would maximize long-term profits by catching their customers early. They produced their very first bicycle in 1917, which was targeted to pre-teen boys. It was also painted in olive drab to support the troops. Unfortunately, these bicycles never really took off. They were sinking more money into the idea than they were gaining from it and ceased production only a few years after it began. These bikes are quite rare today, and thus are highly sought-after by collectors



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# HOG Scrabble 2020

Take part in our New Scrabble Game!

HOW? Ride your motorcycle to towns or states that start with letters in following phrase **"Ride your ride in the Natural State of Arkansas"** and take your picture by the Town sign, Post Office Building or State sign. For example, the word "RIDE" starts with a "R" so ride to a town or state that starts with "R" (Like Russellville) take a photo with you, your motorcycle, 2020 Membership card and Town sign, Post Office or State sign in it and then start looking for another letter in the phrase ..... Have fun visiting 39 different cities/towns.

Visit [http://www.pigtrailhog.com/docs/2020\\_Pig\\_Trail\\_Chapter\\_Scrabble.pdf](http://www.pigtrailhog.com/docs/2020_Pig_Trail_Chapter_Scrabble.pdf) for details and rules

## Road Captain Spotlight...



Name: Gary Ivey  
Roadname: Tumbleweed

What year did you get your endorsement? 1996  
Who inspired you to ride? Myself  
What was your SPARK to ride? Unknown  
Current Motorcycle: 2018 HD Ultra  
Your most memorable ride? 48 States in 10 Days  
Your favorite destination? Black Hills area  
Where is your Bucket list ride to? 3 twisted sisters Texas  
Share a safety suggestion for others:  
Always wear a full-face helmet.  
My road name would be "Dead Man" instead of "Tumbleweed" if not for a full-face helmet.



## DID YOU KNOW?

- Sean "Ole' Ticker" Branham - Media

Information and communication is the key to successful events. Have you ever missed out on a ride or event because you did not know about it? Let's change that!

My role as Webmaster/Media is to keep you updated with the Chapter happenings. This is done through various formats.

- Social Media: Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram
- HOG TV: Marketing slides on the HOG TV at the dealership in service
- Web Site: Events are posted on the calendar at pigtrailhog.com
- Direct Email: Join our email list from the home page of the web site
- Newsletters/Calendars: Events are published here

The goal is to get the event on everyones calendar at least 60 days prior to the event, even if details are not yet established. This will allow you time to plan for the day and block the time. Then details will be added once they are determined.

During this unprecedented time, there will be changes and we are trying to keep up with them and keep you informed. We will get back to a normal schedule soon. Be sure to follow us for updates!



**Treasurer**  
Sarah "Flip Flop" Jackson

Balance of account as of  
3/15/20 is \$3,726.22



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Holly "Best Shot" Adams - Membership

I want to welcome all our New Members again. I encourage you all to get involved and get to know your Chapter Members....they love to ride!! Most are very knowledgeable about rides to take and would love to have you along. Join in the fun of activities and rides! Seasoned Members, I would like for y'all to get to know some of the new faces, or even a face that you recognize but have not meet them yet.

Members stay safe and Ride your Ride!



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# SECRETARY'S ROLE IN THE CHAPTER

- Chuck "Tusk" Yarbrough - Secretary

The past 5 years I have been in the Chapter, most of the information provided has been name badges and merchandise.



Most know that I am native to the area and love the Ozarks. Each year when Spring hits I hear countless people claim that every white blooming tree is a Dogwood. Not many of us grew with a grandma or neighbor granny that knew all the local trees and flowers. I don't claim to know them all but I will try to provide some resources that you can use to determine what flowering trees or wild flowers you might see while we are riding and maintaining social distancing.



In the month of March and April, we are seeing wild Serviceberry trees, Bradford Peartrees, Redbuds trees will start to bloom and last to bloom is the Dogwood, which is native to the area in both white and pink. Last, are the European Dogwood that blooms after the leaves are on the tree.



Wild Flowers and Perennials are a big part of Spring in the Ozarks, like the 20 different varieties of daffodils and other nurse flowers. Wild flowers, Yellow Dogtooth Violet, Downy Phlox, Pussytoes, white to pink Rue and Tooth Wort can all be found in this area during the spring. Check out Ozark Mountains Website for information and pictures of all these and more.



The Ozarks ecosystem is fairly delicate and dependent on plants and others for survival of Bees and other insects and our many native animals of Racoons, Opossums and Foxes. Picking the flowers and removing them from the Ozark forest and fields can damage or ecosystem. If you want to pick something, take a trash bag and collect litter left behind.



I also plan to provide access to short stories about the civil war's activities and the White River basin during the post-civil war days.



*Take time each day to stop and breathe in the beauty around you*



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## Doctor's Orders

- Jim "Gator" Moss - Head Road Captain

I ran across this article and thought it was interesting. Now listen to the doctors and go get some "Wind Therapy"!

*It would make perfect sense for Harley-Davidson to fund a research about the physical benefits of riding considering the brand's notoriety for making ride-friendly bikes, right? Well, that's exactly what the Milwaukee company has done. In collaboration with the UCLA's Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, a study among over 50 experienced riders was conducted to determine the effects of a motorcycle ride on the brain.*

*All the riders studied were hooked up to a mobile electroencephalogram (EEG), a sort of shower cap-like device covered in electrodes that detect the brain's electrical activity. They were then set loose on their bikes. The subjects' brain activity and hormones were also monitored before the ride, while they were driving a car, and while they were resting in order to establish comparables.*

*What the researchers observed is that the ride decreased the participants' level of stress (28-percent decrease in stress biomarkers), that it slightly increased their heartbeat (a 20-minute ride increased heartbeat by 11 percent), their adrenaline levels (by 27-percent) as well as their focus and alertness.*

This means the next time you are sitting at your computer feeling sluggish or that you get home after a long and stressful day, the answer to getting back on track or relieving some of the tension could be as simple as going out for a ride. You know, in case you needed another good reason to throw on your jacket and helmet and head out. Now go out and ride, doctor's order.



## Skilled Riders

Take your riding to the next level with the Riding Academy Skilled Rider Course. Because the more you know about the road, the more it has to offer. There is a better rider in all of us - no matter how long you've been riding. It's time to get more out of the road, more out of the ride and more out of yourself. Visit Pig Trail Harley-Davidson



## Greetings...

- Paul Newell - Activities

Greetings from the farm!

This is generally where we would say something witty and advise y'all about all the exciting activities we have upcoming in the near the future. However, with the current state of affairs, this will be a little different.

It is uncertain at this time when things will get back to normal. With that said, please keep a watch on the HOG Facebook page and your email to see what activities will be cancelled and what events will go on as planned.

In the meantime, take this time to enjoy some time with your loved ones. We all are guilty of putting things off as our lives are busy and time is precious. Let me say that again...time is precious. Things can change at the drop of a hat. So, what's REALLY important? That is only a question you can answer, but whatever it is...might I suggest you take this time to focus on it.

Things will get back to normal. Turn off CNN and follow the CDC guidelines to flatten the curve. We will see y'all on the other side.



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# Moments that Matter

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