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December to Remember

- Chuck "Tusk" Yarbrough - Director
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Well HOG Family, we have a lot of plans for this Month. Shopping for that Harley Davidson Christmas gift for your special someone, and, like cousin Eddy said in "Christmas Vacation", "Clark! put something in that cart for yourself and make it real nice!"

Our Ladies of Harley have volunteered to wrap your gift as a special fund raiser for the Children's Shelter. Speaking of the Shelter, the NWA Toy Run will be after our Chapter Meeting December 10th. We have been provided a wish list of items and gifts from the shelter residents.

The Dealership has looked into the many Christmas parades in the area, and is arranging participation in one or more parades next year. As a chapter, we hope to play a big part. There may also be an additional need for people to walk along side and hand out candy. More to follow on this awesome community-involvement opportunity.

The biggest event of December is our Christmas Party. Hopefully you have purchased your tickets and ready to party! We chose a central location for our membership, the Springdale Holiday Inn. We will have a holiday buffet meal, cash bar, and live music from a great Branson-area band called Resurrection, of which most of these band members are Harley riders.

Enjoy your Holidays, Friends and Family and Merry Christmas.



It's Christmas Time

- Sheila "Casper" Branham - Secretary
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It's that time, Christmas time is here. Everybody knows there's not a better time of year. Hear that sleigh, Santa's on his way. Hip-hip-hooray, for Christmas vacation.

Christmas Vacation is a family favorite movie for us. Elf is also very high on our favorite Christmas movies list. Looking for something different to watch, I Googled "Christmas movies with motorcycles". Here's a couple I found (even these are a stretch) and how to watch them:

The Santa Trap: Santa lands in jail with a biker. The officer releases the biker instead of Santa.
(2002) Starring: Shelley Long, Robert Hays, Stacy Keach, and Dick Van Patten
Streaming on Peacock and Amazon Prime Video for free with ads.

Christmas in Wonderland: Three children move with their father to Edmonton, Canada, where they catch a group of counterfeiters while Christmas shopping.
(2007) Starring: Patrick Swayze, Carmen Electra, Chris Kattan, and Tim Curry
Available to purchase. No streaming available at this time.



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Connecting in the Off Season

- Sean "Ole Ticker" Branham - Assistant Director
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I can't believe I am writing a newsletter article for DECEMBER. Where did the year go, and what happened to our great fall riding weather? It really seems like this year has gone by twice as fast as a normal year. I used to like the winter with cold days and snow chances in the forecast, but now I want temps in the 70's and a full day of sunshine. I am hoping there is still plenty of decent weather to keep the bike on the road.

This time of year, we will ride less and have fewer events planned within the chapter. However, I think it is still important to stay connected. This connection is good for our chapter, but is also good for the members. Connecting with friends and like-minded people is good for physical, mental, and even spiritual health. I have said before, this chapter is like family, and a family who bonds is a family of strength. Having others to laugh with, celebrate together, talk to, cry and mourn together, or just listen to each other, is all part of family and/or friendship.

As we go through this off-season, I encourage you to stay connected. We have our monthly chapter meeting and ride, as well as our monthly Dinner Ride/Gathering. This is an event we decided to have each month, even if it means going in cages. I hope you can join during these events and stay connected. We are also reviewing other potential "off- season" events or activities, so stay tuned!

Enjoy the holidays, ride when you can, and join us when the opportunity comes along.



Christmas Party

- Becky & Scott Fite - Activities
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Can you believe it's December already? This year has flown by! I hope you have bought your ticket to the Christmas Party. I know this will be a very good Merry HOG Christmas celebration! Remember the date:

December 17, 2022
Time: 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Place: Holiday Inn
48th Street, Springdale

If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a \$20.00 gift and come join the fun.

We have several activities planned for 2023! Stay tuned for the reveal during the year!

From us to you, have a very Merry Christmas!

Scott & Becky



Account Update

- Sarah "Flip-Flop" Jackson - Treasurer
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Pig Trail H.O.G. Chapter #2075

Account Balance as of
November 15, 2022

\$2,850.00

Chapter Meeting
Saturday, December 10th 10:00a.m.
Pig Trail H.O.G. Presents
Pig Trail Harley-Davidson
Join us for the monthly HOG Chapter Meeting for information, fun and networking.
Check-in at HOG Central inside the dealership prior to the meeting.
If you are not a member, you are welcome to come as our guest.
COME JOIN THE FUN...

HOG Pig Trail Chapter Riders
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Welcome New Members

- Pam "Commander" Stout - Membership
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Thanks for all who came out to the Membership drive and helped us eat the chili! Always an extra Thanks to the officers who made it happen. This is truly a team effort.

Let's welcome our new members:

Brian Secrest
Bobby Trammel
Russell Johnson
Dan Slimp
Sandy Slimp

Take the sunny ride days as you can for the next few months, check your tires and check in your mileage! Let's Ride!
#Ride365



Toy Run and RC Training

- Troy "Big Shot" Adams - Head Road Captain
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December already!! This year has flown by as fast as Santa will fly by my house. We are going to be doing the Toy Run after the meeting this month so pack your new toy for the kids. I will be setting up RC training and will be contacting the RC's this month to see who is still plans to be involved. Our RC's are important and we need many more. Please consider becoming one. Hope everyone has a great Christmas!!!



Thank You Volunteers

- Casey "Charmer" Conway - Ladies of Harley
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I want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Thank you to ALL the volunteers for the Veterans Day lunch on November 5th! We had a great volunteer turn out.
Thank you to the volunteers who have gave their time to gift wrapping for the children's shelter. If you want to help, please email me at loh2@pigtrailhog.com.
I am excited for 2023! There's going to be a lot of great things for our Chapter.

Ride365 Update

Here is the latest Ride365 update as of 11/28/2022

Total Chapter Miles: 362,299
National Ranking: 43rd out of 494 Chapters
Regional Ranking: 10th out of 76 Chapters
Regional Chapter in 9th: Toad Suck Chapter Conway Arkansas with 379,824 miles
Chapter Leader in Miles: Joel P with 19,786 miles

Let's make sure to get our miles record recorded by 12/31 with Warren or any PTHD Service Department team member. Let's finish the year strong!



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How to determine to Volunteer

- Polly & Bruce Ingerson - Volunteer Coordinators
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Greetings Members!

Here are the paths you can take to volunteer in your Chapter:

1. Make up one's mind which issues you care about.
2. Identify the skills and knowledge you can offer. (Skill-set required: Showing up, Knowledge-base: Reminder on your phone or Fridge calendar.)
3. Create a volunteer desire. This helps the Chapter and the Dealership.
4. Determine how often you can volunteer.
5. Decide on volunteer opportunities in your Chapter.
6. Consider using a volunteer site when it has been created. We are considering this option for the future.
7. Get all the relevant details for the volunteer position. Usually on the sign-up sheets.
8. Sign-up at the meeting or text the number below for the volunteer position.
9. Follow up after you sign-up.
10. Complete any required training like for Road Captains or Sweeps.
11. Begin with a limited commitment. We do not want you to become discouraged.
12. Be prepared to meet and work with people and have fun. It is a great way to grow in your Chapter.
13. Regularly assess your volunteer experiences and reflect on all the fun Chapter members you have met.

2023 will have a lot of Volunteer Opportunities so we are looking forward to a year of fun and friendship.

To Volunteer TEXT your contact information to 479-789-4845



7 High-Tech Ways MC are getting Safer

- Michael "Tip-Toe" Douglas - Webmaster
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Your phone is smart. Your home is smart. Your car is smart. And innovations in motorcycle technology mean that your favorite ride is now smarter—and safer—than ever. In the past, it was always you against the bike. Now the bike is actually trying to help you. It's a cool time to be riding.

Here are some of the advancements in Motorcycle Safety:

1. Air-Bag Clothing
2. Anti-lock braking systems
3. Adaptive Headlights
4. Electronic Tire Pressure Monitor
5. Reflex Defensive Rider Systems (RDFS offering on Harley Davidson Motorcycles)
5. Automatic Clutch and Shift (beneficial for new riders)
6. Vehicle-To-Vehicle Communications (discussed in June 2022 Newsletter)
7. AR Helmets

As technology continues to advance, I believe we will see more and more smart features being added to motorcycles that will help continues to make both short distance and long distance riding safer for all riders. I am excited to see what the future holds for smart motorcycles and the improved safety for all motorcycle riders around the world. Personally, I am keeping a close tab on the AR Helmets.



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