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NEWS

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## A RANGE OF LIFESTYLE TOPICS

- Jeffrey "Sleepy" Bushey - Director  
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Welcome to the new format coming next quarter of the Pigtrail HOG Newsletter! We are thrilled to introduce this fresh design and layout, which we believe will enhance your reading experience. Our goal with this revamp is to not only present you with visually engaging content but also to offer you a wealth of information that caters to the diverse interests of our community.

In this edition, you will find expanded articles covering a range of topics, from the latest in motorcycle news to tips for enhancing your riding skills. We've also included feature pieces that spotlight our dedicated members and their journeys, showcasing the camaraderie that makes our group truly special. Whether you're a seasoned rider or just beginning to explore the open road, we are confident that you will discover something of value in each article.

We've carefully curated content that is both informative and enjoyable to read, with thought-provoking insights and practical advice. Each piece aims to deepen your understanding of the motorcycle lifestyle and inspire you to engage more fully with the Pigtrail HOG community.

We encourage you to share your thoughts on the new format—your feedback is essential in helping us continue to improve. Thank you for being a part of the Pigtrail HOG family, and we hope you enjoy this exciting new chapter of our newsletter! Ride safe and keep the rubber side down!



## INVITE SOMEONE

- Rick "Barracuda" Hillier - Assistant Director  
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Well our riding season is coming soon. We have all kinds of new rides and events going on this year. We are constantly changing things to give everyone a safe and fun year of riding. Hope all of you get involved on many of them.

Also I'd like to see more of our members come to our meetings so if you know members that have not been in a while, reach out to them. It would be great if at least half of our members [family] could fill our meeting room every month. Everyone enjoy this year.

Screw it, Let's ride...

**APRIL 5TH - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**SWAP MEET**  
OUTDOOR VENDOR MALL & MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET

**MENU**

- PANCAKES
- SAUSAGE
- JUICE

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WILL BE ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE BLOOD DRIVE MEAL



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**SAT. APRIL 5TH**

**PTHD BLOOD DONOR DAY**

Your gift of life is invaluable.  
Happy World Blood Donor Day!

2409 West Hudson Rd.  
Parking Lot  
Time: 10:00 to 3:00  
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**FULL MOON**

ROAD CAPTAIN: DAVE TURNER  
ROAD SWEEP:  
ROAD MID:

**APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>**

**KSU: 6:00 PM**  
KSU LOCATION: PTHD  
DESTINATION: PARK HOUSE KITCHEN  
SILOAM SPRINGS

NOTES: BACK ON THE ROAD AT 8:00 TO WATCH THE FULL MOON RISE THEN BACK TO PTHD



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# NEW CHAPTER SECRETARY



- Darla Evens - Secretary  
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Let me start my first newsletter by introducing myself. My name is Darla Evens, and I am your new HOG Chapter Secretary. One of the things I'm most excited about is the new relationships that will be formed. Motorcycle groups are a close net family and that is just amazing. They are always there to help when and where is needed. For example, one of our "brothers" had a motorcycle wreck, the folks that were there at the ER with him to the ones that called, text and sent messages on Facebook shows how tight net we are. We are not concerned as much about the clothes, helmet or bike it's about YOU!!! With spring upon us let's make sure we watch out for each other out on the road!!! We also need to watch for vehicles cause not all the time are they watching out for us.

**SCREW IT!!!! LET'S RIDE!!!**

## Get Those Motors Runnin'



- Beverly "Cha-Ching" Rowland - Treasurer  
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It's springtime! Time to go out and enjoy some of Ozark's beautiful countryside while things are blooming and coming to life, and before it gets blazing hot. It's exciting to see so many people engaging with the 2025 Riders Challenge Booklet this year. As Treasurer, I get to choose the photo challenge for you for the month of April. I challenge you to take a photo of you, the booklet, and your bike at Boone County Courthouse on the square in Harrison, Arkansas. The courthouse was built in 1907 which makes this challenge a two-fer because it will also complete one of the Hot Spot Photo Challenges on page 22 of the booklet. This courthouse is somewhat dear to my heart because it is where my mother spent time as a court reporter and my first job was across the street at First Federal.

I'm seeing new faces at our meetings which is totally awesome! Welcome to the best HOG chapter around. I've also noticed a few people missing, and I hope you're just busy with life and will come back – because you are missed. I've said it before so I may sound like a broken record but thank you to all that purchase raffle tickets at the meetings. You may not win cash or prizes, but you are still a winner because every little bit helps our chapter do the fun activities we have throughout the year.

## Membership is Defined



- Traci Kerr - Membership  
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Membership is defined as "the fact of being a member of a group." If this is true, then why does membership in HOG feel more like being part of a family and not just a group? The answer is the people that make up the group. HOG encourages us to interact with each other. Our monthly chapter meetings are by far the best part of my month. I love being able to laugh and joke with everyone while building friendship that will last a lifetime. Membership is an important part of human survival. Belonging to a group helps to promote longevity and mental stability. Membership can challenge, empower, uplift and educate. It is also an excellent opportunity to belong to a family. HOG members consider their membership to be family because we share more than just a love of Harleys. With that in mind, I close by saying that "I love my fellow HOG members and wish to thank all of you for allowing me to be a part of this amazing family."



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# Road Captain Program

- Preston "Gadget" Mahan - Head Road Captain  
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With the chapter reintroducing the Road Captain Program I'm hoping to get a lot more members involved with our rides and all of the other activities we have planned. The Road Captain program is open to anyone who is interested in learning the ins and outs of being a Road Captain or a Road Sweep . We are excited to be able to offer so many tools to making some very good Road Captains and sweeps.

Our lead trainer will be Chuck Yarbrough he will be taking lead in all of the training. Chuck has a wealth of knowledge in so many areas of the HOG world.

Our first training session was Saturday March 22nd at 10:00 am at the dealership this was entirely a classroom session. So if you have any interest at all come join us for the first session.

**As always everyone ride safe and have fun.**



# What is Riding Academy?

- Keith Poor - Riding Academy Instructor  
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What is Riding Academy? It is a training program for being able to operate a motorcycle more efficiently, correctly and safely. It is for those that have never been on a motorcycle before and are ready to embark on this adventure they want to learn to ride. It also is for those that perhaps have been riding for many years yet they want to improve their skills.

At Pig Trail HD we utilize a program governed by Harley Davidson Riding Academy, but the curriculum is supplied by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF). We actually get audited annually by corporate HD to ensure we meet certain standards. FYI – we have ALWAYS exceeded the standards, and our students attest to that.

- 1973: The Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) established the Motorcycle Industry Council Safety and Education Foundation, which later became the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) as a separate corporation.
- Founding Members: The founding members included Harley-Davidson, BSA, Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki, and Yamaha.
- Purpose: The MSF was created to improve motorcycle operator competence through broad-based programs.
- 1974: The MSF introduced the Beginner Rider Course (BRC).
- 1983: By 1983, over 300,000 riders had enrolled in MSF RiderCourses.
- Today: More than 10 million people have enrolled in MSF RiderCourses since its inception.

As you see our MSF curriculum has been used for 51 years along with updates. Harley Davidson dealerships began with the Riders Edge program in 2000 and changed to Riding Academy in 2014 and HD has trained over 1 million riders since then. Without a doubt Harley Davidson dealers are at the top for investing in rider training.

At Pig Trail HD we offer classes suited for all skill levels. Beginner, Experienced and 3 Wheel Trike riders. For new riders it is the **BEST way to get an endorsement** which helps to get a discount on your motorcycle insurance.

If you are interested to find out how the Riding Academy can help you please **contact Keith Poor at 479-878-4937 or keith.poor@pigtrailhd.com.**

Screw It Lets Ride!



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## New Activities Officer

- Romi Spychala - Activities  
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Greetings Fellow HOG Mates! I'm very excited to join you as your new Activities Officer. I'm rather new to the area having grown up and transplanted here from central Minnesota a year ago. I'm currently living in Van Buren with a For Sale sign on my house looking to reposition myself to the NWA area. Hindsight is 20/20, but yep, I sure wish I would have moved here to begin with considering my mom & brother, and Arkansas finest Harley Davidson dealership are here in this area.

I'm a U.S. Navy Veteran and I'm a retired software QA engineer and a disabled vet. Outside of riding my Freewheeler, I enjoy fishing, hunting, cooking, live music, working on my artwork and refinishing furniture. I love bringing people together and turning creative ideas into reality.

My first motorcycle was a Honda Shadow 750 that I rode for 17 years before I bought my first Harley Davidson Softail Deluxe. I've been a HOG member for about 5 years now. I've served as a LOH Director for 2 of those years and I've been loving every minute of it. The memories you make and people you meet are the best part. Being part of the HD Family means as much to me as my own family, my classmates, my churchmates, my alumni, .. you know, you GET IT! It's going to be a great year of fun and adventure being in this role with you. I'll give you my word that I will put my best self forward for you in this role in creating activities for the HOG Chapter that are fun, safe and enjoyable for everyone. I look forward to getting to know all of you!



## It is On it's Way

- Polly "Doodle" Ingerson - Volunteer Coordinators  
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We said it was coming, we said it was coming, we said it was coming, and now it's **HERE!** 2025 Riding Season is in full swing. And we've already had a number of beautiful warm days to get out and ride.

With Riding Season comes an uptick in Activities, both for the Chapter and the wonderful sponsoring Dealership Pig Trail Harley-Davidson. And with Activities comes the need for Volunteers, right? You knew where I was going with all this. I will make every effort to have sign up sheets at the Chapter Meeting on the pool table well in advance of the needs – what I like to call "Volunteer Opportunities". But sometimes one in awhile there are changes or short notice needs. I already have a list of Members who are willing to fill in for needs that arise with only a 24-72 hour notice. Thanks to all of you on that list. If you have not signed up but are willing to help out in this manner please text me at 479-789-4845 Text Only! And I will add your name to our Short Notice Hero's.

Finally, please keep an eye on **HOGScan and the Pig Trail HOG Chapter Events Calendar**. The Calendar for the upcoming Activities.

<https://www.pigtrailhog.com/calendar> This will allow you to view our calendar for upcoming Chapter Events.



## Account Update

- Beverly "Cha-Ching" Rowland - Treasurer  
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Pig Trail H.O.G. Chapter #2075  
Account Balance as of  
March 31, 2024

**\$6176.45**

**CHAPTER MEETING**  
SECOND SATURDAY EACH MONTH

JOIN US AT 10AM AT PTHD UPSTAIRS FOR CHAPTER HAPPENINGS EDUCATION AND OUR CHAPTER RIDE

STARTS AT **10AM**  
Get checked in with HOG[SCAN] app

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50/50 JACKPOT

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# LOH! Stands for Ladies of Harley!!

- Ame Combs - Ladies of Harley  
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Ladies of Harley was created to encourage women to become more active members of the National HOG Chapters. It's not just for men. Women have been riding since the early 1910s. I see more and more women joining in rides. Taking the Riding academy classes.

My name is Amy Combs. Newly elected as LOH Director for our HOG Chapter. I bought my 1st Harley last year & haven't looked back. I now own 3 bikes and enjoy= riding them all. I am thankful for my friends and family who encouraged me to buy that 1st bike. I now understand what they meant by "wind therapy". Also the people I have met in the last year that I consider family.

The LOH committee had our 1st meeting 3/20. Our ladies have set dates for some fun, exciting and interesting activities that will be posted soon on our HOG chapter calendar. Thrilled and excited to see where this year takes us Ladies of Harley.



## TCLOCS Time to Ride

- Bruce "Brews GIF" Ingerson - Editor  
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So your Bike may have been sitting around for sometime for Snowpocalypse or close to Zero on the thermometer no heated gear and you should check these items every time you ride. Here is the Acrostic **TCLOCS** to help you remember what to check.

### TCLOCS

T- TIRES & WHEELS

C- CONTROLS

L- LIGHTS & ELECTRICS

O- OIL & OTHER FLUIDS

C- CHASSIS

S- STANDS (Unless you have a trike)

You can use this link to download a handy checklist it is quite detailed and makes sure you have inspected all the important areas.

Used Courtesy of **MSF msf-usa.org** go to the site to download the pdf checklist

<https://msf-usa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/t-clocks-pre-ride-inspection-checklist.pdf>



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# 2025 H.O.G. Rallies & Events

Rally Spotlight: Gulf Coast H.O.G. Rally, May 1-3, Beaumont, TX

Kick off the 2025 Rally season in Texas' Golden Triangle! Where the rubber meets the road and Southern hospitality meets the Gulf Coast, this rally in Beaumont promises to be unforgettable. Connect with fellow members for thrilling rides, culminating in the "500 for Life" motorcycle awareness ride. Don't miss this incredible experience!

## 2025 H.O.G. Touring Rallies

- Spring Heat in Arizona H.O.G. Touring Rally, March 28-April 1, Albuquerque, NM to Apache, AZ
- Texas Hill Country H.O.G. Touring Rally, May 7-10, Round Rock, TX to San Antonio, TX
- Great River Lower H.O.G. Touring Rally, May 19-24, New Orleans, LA to St. Louis, MO
- Roaming the Black Hills H.O.G. Touring Rally, June 4-9, Cody, WY to Deadwood, SD
- Great River Upper H.O.G. Touring Rally, August 25-30, Fargo, ND to St. Louis, MO
- Tour of Valor H.O.G. Touring Rally, October 14-20, Hughesville, MD to Dayton, OH

## 2025 H.O.G. Regional Rallies

- Gulf Coast H.O.G. Rally, May 1-3, Beaumont, TX
- Mid-America H.O.G. Rally, June 5-7, Springfield, MO
- Appalachian Thunder H.O.G. Rally, June 25-28, Cumberland, MD
- Great Lakes H.O.G. Rally, June 26-28, Marquette, MI
- Pacific Northwest H.O.G. Rally, July 17-19, Spokane, WA
- Valley to the Mountains H.O.G. Rally, August 14-16, Monticello, NY
- Iron Adventure H.O.G. Rally, August 21-23, Bartlett, NH
- Rocky Mountain H.O.G. Rally, September 11-13, Pikes Peak, CO
- Golden State H.O.G. Rally, October 2-4, Fresno, CA

## 2025 H.O.G. Check-Ins

- Daytona Beach Bike Week, March 1-8, Daytona Beach, FL
- Laconia Motorcycle Week, June 14-21, Laconia, NH
- Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, August 1-8, Sturgis, SD

More information and registration links for 2025 H.O.G. rallies are available on the HD website - <https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/content/hog/rallies.html>



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# H.O.G. Events: What's the Difference?

We often get questions about the different types of events we offer for H.O.G. members. Each of the three types listed below varies slightly in content, but they all have something in common: the opportunity to meet great people and explore exciting new roads.

- H.O.G. Check-Ins occur during Harley-Davidson activations at many big rallies, such as Daytona, Laconia and Sturgis, the H-D Homecoming, and others. Member activities may include a pin stop, ride challenge, chapter rides, member get-togethers, a hospitality area, and other exclusive experiences that encourage members to participate in the rally.
- H.O.G. Regional Rallies are based in a central location with daily riding activities and evening get togethers. Regional rallies are organized and hosted by a volunteer rally committee consisting of members from several area H.O.G. chapters. Typical attendance at a regional rally range from 500 to 1500 members drawn from all parts of the country and even overseas, with no attendance limit.
- H.O.G. Touring Rallies move from city to city rather than being based in a host city. The route can either be point-to-point with start and end locations in different cities or can begin and end in a single location with overnight stops along the way. Touring rallies are organized by a single professional rally coordinator. Attendance ranges from 50 to 250 members and is often capacity limited.



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## 3 ways to Get Ready for Riding season

For those not fortunate to live in a year-round riding climate, the start of the new riding season is right around the corner. As the chill leaves the air and spring begins to blossom, here are three things you can do to help your chapter members prepare themselves and their motorcycles for a fun and rewarding year ahead.

- **Organize a Motorcycle Safety Inspection:** Every rider should know how to conduct a TCLOCS pre-ride inspection, which is ideally done before each ride. To get your members in the habit, organize a group inspection event early in the season and invite someone from your sponsoring dealer's service department to assist. It's also great way for members to get an odometer reading to enter the Ride 365 Annual and Chapter Mileage Challenges.
- **Promote Rider Skills Training:** No matter how long you have been riding, there is always an opportunity to learn new skills and refresh old ones. Harley-Davidson Riding Academy training courses are offered for riders of all skill levels. H.O.G. members can receive a bonus of 5,000 H-D loyalty points (a \$50 value) for any HDRA course they complete.
- **Host a Riding Gear Check:** Good motorcycle gear protects a rider from injury, is comfortable in heat, cold and rain, and enhances visibility. But nothing lasts forever. Gear should be inspected at least once a season and upgraded or replaced as needed. Work with your dealer's apparel department to host an event where members can check their old gear and see out the latest styles from H-D. For more useful information about riding gear and apparel, motorcycle maintenance, and riding stories, check out the **Expert Advice section** of H-D.com.



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## Welcome back Road Captains

As the sun rises over the breathtaking vistas and the open roads beckon, we find ourselves on the cusp of another exhilarating riding season. For our cherished motorcycle Road Captains, it's time to dust off those helmets, crank up the engines, and embrace the freedom of the open highway. The camaraderie, adventure, and sheer joy of the ride are calling, and we couldn't be more excited to welcome you back!

## Celebrating the Spirit of Unity

Motorcycle riding isn't just about the machines or the routes; it's about the connections forged along the way. Road Captains play an essential role in cultivating this spirit of unity within the riding community. As leaders, navigators, and mentors, you guide your fellow bikers through stunning landscapes, unfamiliar roads, and unforgettable experiences. The thrill of a well-planned ride is amplified by the trust bestowed in your hands. This season, let's celebrate not just the rides, but the relationships. We've all missed those moments of laughter at rest stops, the shared stories around a campfire, and the simple joy of riding in formation under the vast sky. Your role as Road Captains is vital in fostering these connections, and your leadership enhances the ride for everyone.



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