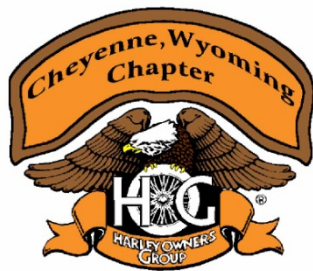


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Dear Chapter Members,

Another month has flown by and everyone was getting spoiled with the warm weather and getting to put in some miles. Someone made mother nature mad and she showed us who is BOSS again. I know all of you are ready to put some miles on those Harley's, especially you folks with your new ones (wish mine was here).

I would like to thank all of you that attended the combine HOG NOB and Chapter meeting, did you enjoy that, and would you like to see more of this?

At the meeting we discussed a lot of new things so please think about them and let the officers know what your true feelings are on the subjects. We want to do the things you want, that's what the Chapter & H.O.G. is all about, i.e. RIDE and have FUN.

Please check out the wonderful website Erick has put together to keep you up to date with what is going on in the chapter. Please mark your calendars with those dates you are planning on attending.

Remember the VNV BIKER Ball 25 April 2009. Also the Motorcycle Awareness month is coming in May and lots activities are going on. The WyStateHOG Rally 16 - 18 July 2009 Lander. This is just a few of the up coming events.

If you have questions please contact one of the officers and I'm sure they can answer your questions, or they will get an answer for you.

Ride and be SAFE

Gary

Meeting Minutes

Laura Hauffe - Secretary

Cheyenne WY H.O.G. Chapter Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2009

Assistant Director Dennis Rafferty kicked off the meeting by asking for a motion to forego the reading of the minutes from the March HOG Meeting. The motion was offered, seconded and passed unanimously.

Guests and New Members: RJ Nelson, new Associate Member who claims to have a Honda (we don't think he realizes that this is a *Harley Owners Group*), and Stacy Bryson, new Member who has a 1998 Ultra Classic.

Jim Anderson – guest of Member Carol Thompson. Jim rides a Harley, but I didn't hear which model, and my recorder didn't pick it up either.

Tyler Keyes – guest of Members April and Eric Keyes.

John Anthony – guest of Member Pam Anthony.

Old Business: Director Gary Rusk once again reminded Chapter Members about the Mileage Challenge we have going with the Thornton, Colorado HOGsters. Right now it looks like the culmination of this challenge will be in August. We will be getting together with the Thornton and Laramie HOGsters for a barbeque and party. The final dates are still being firmed up with the other two Chapters. Along those lines Gary also reminded the Membership about the National HOG Mileage Challenge. Yellow sign-up sheets were passed out at the last meeting for Members to record their mileage and then turn it into the Dealership. Maverick will then take care of getting it to National HOG for recording. As Members accumulate miles and then turn them into Maverick, they will receive mileage Rocker Patches from National HOG. Rockers for 1,000, 5,000, 10,000, and 20,000 miles will be sent to the Members from National as they reach those milestones. Membership Officer Gerry Blessing once again modeled for the Members his vest showing how good the mileage rockers look when affixed. Nancy Nelson brought the Membership up to speed on the Members Call List. She's going to be typing it up to use as the weather gets better and short-notice rides or activities pop up. Eric Keyes reminded Members that the Wyoming State HOG Rally is approaching soon, July 16th through the 18th. Registration deadline is May 28th. Now would be a really good time to get registered AND get your room reservations. Eric said so far 48 people have registered for the Rally. And the closer we get to summer, the harder it might be to get a room at the Best Western Lander Inn once the tourists get out on the roads. Check out www.wystatehogrally.com for more information. Dennis and Gary spoke for a minute about the Volunteer of the Year Award. The more a Member volunteers to help with events and functions, the more punches on their Membership Cards they get that will be counted towards the Award.

Meeting Minutes con't

Laura Hauffe - Secretary

Dennis and Gary reminded the Members that we have a naming contest for the Chapter's Newsletter going on. So far only two suggestions for a new name have been submitted. If you have a suggestion for a new name for our Newsletter, please submit it to either Gary or Dennis before May 10th. The Membership will vote on the new name at the next General Membership Meeting.

A quick reminder about the Viet Nam Veterans MC Bikers' Ball coming up on April 25th. Jason Severson from Mavericks says that they still have a few tickets left. Purchase of a ticket gets two people admitted for supper and free beer (for as long as the kegs last). It also gets you a shot at one of two new Harleys: the FLHT and the XL 883 Custom. Jason says they have the bikes on the floor down at the Dealership now if anyone wants to go take a look at what they might win. Only 400 tickets will be sold, so your odds of winning are way better than the lottery. The Vets won't just be giving away 2 bikes either. There are gift certificates and other great prizes from businesses around town that you might win. Dennis then asked if anyone had a question for the Q & A portion of the Newsletter. No members expressed any concerns with bikes or riding issues at the present time.

New Business: The next General Membership Meeting will be held on May 10th, which is Mother's Day. None of the Members had any problem with the coincidence. The question was asked if maybe we wanted to change the time, or day that we meet. Since our current meeting time is 10:00 AM on Sundays, it was thought that perhaps some members might have a conflict with church services and meeting times. Members were asked to think about what times and/or what days they'd like to meet and be ready to discuss a possible change at the next General Meeting.

Laramie County Community College is holding their Bikers For Education Poker Run on May 30th. The Run will start at the Dealership and run to Ft. Collins by way of the scenic route on Owl Canyon Road. Look for more information at the next General Meeting, and for advertisements around town and down at the Dealership. 2nd Annual Hog For Dogs coming up on August 29th. Same route and times as last year, and more information coming in future Newsletters. The Governor's Proclamation establishing May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month will be signed and presented on May 9th which is a Saturday. All members thought it would be a good idea if the Chapter could attend en masse to show our support for the Proclamation. It was discussed that this is going to be a big day for the Chapter because May 9th is also our New Member Steak Feed and Ride Day. So the following plans were made: Members wanting to support the Proclamation will meet at Mavericks at 8:30 AM. We will ride to the Capitol to attend the official declaration at 10:00 AM. Right after the event at the Capitol we will start out on our New Member Ride. At the end of the ride we will head to the DBR Distributing Warehouse – 308 Southwest Drive # J -for the New Member Steak Feed. We will grill steaks and have other great food and good times to welcome our new members into our Chapter. This is going to be a busy but VERY fun day, so please plan to attend to welcome our new members and support Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

Meeting Minutes con't

Laura Hauffe - Secretary

The Stride Ride is scheduled for **May 17th**. Breakfast will be at 7:00 to 9:30 AM with the Ride to follow. Activities Director, Scott Nelson, should have all that information and more a little further down in the Newsletter.

Jason Severson presented the news from the Dealership. Jason said Mavericks is starting up the Harley Davidson Super Rides where folks can demo the 2009 bikes. There will be a Women Only Garage Party just for the ladies. The Women's Garage Party will have clinics for the gals and refreshments served. Gretchen has more details on this, so please contact her for more information. The Saturday barbeques at the Dealership will be starting up sometime in May. Volunteering at these is a great way to get punches for your Membership card, plus they're a lot of fun and you get to meet some great people and a free lunch. The Dealership needs volunteers to help out for only a couple hours on Saturdays, so stop in and throw in. You might be surprised at how much fun you'll have. This summer the Dealership is going to be sponsoring four boxing matches outdoors in the Maverick Corral. The 1st match will take place on July 3rd. The next two will be during Frontier Days. And the last match will take place during the Sturgis Rally. Watch for more information on these down at Mavericks. On July 4th there will be a Harley bike show down at the Cheyenne Depot.

Jason informed the Members that in 2010 Harley Davidson is going to discontinue these five models: FLHT Electra Glide Standard, XL 883 Low, FXDL Dyna Low Rider, FLTR Road Glide, and the FXCW Rocker. Discontinuing some of these models surprised a few folks. But this might suggest that H-D is going to roll out some new models to take their place.

The Dealership is going to be starting up a new quick-lube express service in May in an effort to get bikes needing only minor service in-and-out quick. Sometimes in less than an hour for a simple oil change. We have about exhausted all of the gift prizes we had in stock, which is a good thing because Members were starting to tire of that batch. Chapter Treasurer Tosca asked if the Membership would like to forego an assortment of trinkets in lieu of one good prize at each meeting. A majority of the Membership affirmed that they thought this would be ok. Treasurer Tosca also informed the Members that we have \$800 bucks in the Chapter's bank account.

This week's prize winners were:

Prizes:

Hog Nob Mug : Jim Anderson
Joker Draw: Howard Segal Drew the 4 of Clubs
 Scott Nelson Drew the 3 of Diamonds
 Laura Hauffe was the \$5.00 consolation winner

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\$35.00 Tyler Keyes
 \$20.00 Nancy Nelson

Assistant Director

Dennis Rafferty

The Other Corner

I want to thank everyone that attended the combined Hog Nob and Chapter Meeting. It was a full house, not one seat left. Maybe we need to make sure the venue is big enough for us. Now that we have survived the latest snowstorm maybe, just maybe the riding season can finally get here.

If you miss the Chapter Meeting, you are missing a lot of information, on not only programs, rides, contests, events (not just ours) but also what the dealership has to share and offer to our membership. Which reminds me, if you have not yet set an appointment with Maverick's to get your bike service and ready to go, do so now. We want to be ready to roll when the time comes and the events start in May.

With the riding season coming up soon, it also means that our group will be ask to help with events that Mavericks put on in addition, what ever our Chapter puts on. So volunteering is vital to our group or any organization.

Get Involved, It helps Everyone!!!!

Live free,
Dennis

Ladies of Harley (LOH)

Gretchen Wells

I hope everyone had a great Easter

May is women riders month so I would like to get everyone together and do a ride (weather permitting) on the 1st. I was thinking we meet at Maverick's at 4:30 or 5:00, do the Hillsdale loop, and end at T-Joes. Please let me know if you can make this ride.

In addition, I will be getting with Angie to help plan the garage party at Maverick's planned for June. I will inform all the ladies as I get the information.

Gretchen

Webmaster

Erick Salverson

I have created a group on yahoo if you would like to join. To join, please go to our home page www.cheyennehog.com scroll down to the bottom of the page and put in your email address in the space provided. This yahoo group is restricted to members only of the group. You will be able to send messages to the group upon approval from me through the site. You will be able to receive calendar of events emails one day prior to the event itself and more.

Thanks.

Erick Salverson
Cheyenne H.O.G. Webmaster

Activities Officer

Scott Nelson

Thank you for your support at the meetings, Hog Nobs, and Pigs Nite out. Keep it up. With May being International Woman Riders month and Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month its going to be a month full of fun. Here's what we have so far:

May 1 - International Woman Rider Day.

May 9 - Proclamation Day, New members ride, and steak feed. Meet at Maverick's at 830am.

May 10 - Chapter Meeting at 10am at the Plains Hotel.

May 14 - Run to the Wall-call Bill Paterson at 631-0431 for info.

May 16 - Hog Poker Run with Thunder Road. To volunteer call Scott.

May 17- Stride Ride

May 23 - Pigs Nite Out - bike games practice - ride, food, and fun. There will be more information at the Chapter meeting.

May 30 - Bikers for education LCCC Poker Run.

For any more details call Scott at 307-286-8773

Thanks again
Ride on
Scott

Membership Officer

Gerald Blessing

We have three new members to welcome to our club. They are:

- ☺ **Henderson & Stacie Bryson; and**
- ☺ **Robert Nelson.**



Editor

Eric Keyes

If you have a classified add you would like to run in the newsletter please do your best to let me know at least by the second Sunday of the month (H.O.G. Meeting). Please keep in mind that ads are only for Chapter Members and will run for 3 months.

Please do not hesitate to email me at ezekeyes@bresnan.net for any suggestions you feel would improve our newsletter.

Name that newsletter contest

Submit your ideas or suggestions to Gary wolfchey@aol.com or Dennis dbrdist@aol.com the winning name will receive a gift card for Maverick's. Contest will run from now until the May meeting (May 10th).

Safety Officer

Howard Segal

Hey everyone,

It's getting so close to the riding season, we can almost taste it! It really is spring out there, and one of these days the weather will finally break and start to act like it! Some of us out there try and ride any chance we get when the weather lets us, and others wait for the warmer weather to decide to stay so they can ride. Either way you look at it, the common denominator is the condition of the roads. By this time of the year, the road surface has gone through winter snows, cold temps, rain and lots of SAND put down to help with traction for the motorists.

The combination of all these factors leads to a road surface that gives us a riding challenge when we get out there and ride. It's kind of like a mine field out there with the potholes, sand traps and the like.

Until they get the street sweepers out there to get rid of the sand and the road crews out there to attempt to fix the potholes, be aware of these conditions when you swing that leg over the seat and go for a ride. Be especially careful when you are in the corners. Try to stay to the inside because most of the sand will have naturally migrated towards the outside.

Also, road construction season is here which means slower speed limits, possible lane changes or closures and flagmen.

I guess what I am trying to say is BE CAREFUL and ride like you're invisible! The motorists aren't used to having motorcycles sharing the road with them so they aren't looking for us (not that they do anyway).

Ride safe and I'll see you out there...

Howard

May
Birthdays

May 2009

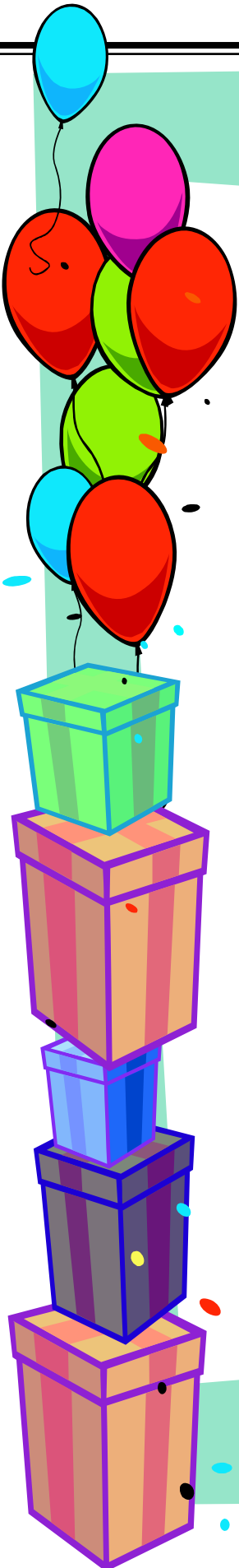
*A Big Happy H.O.G.
Birthday Wish Goes To:*

Richard Behounek

&

Scott and Nancy Nelson
(Isn't that special?)

Happy Birthday!!



Upcoming Events You Don't Want to Miss

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Harley Davidson FLHT



1ST PRIZE
Harley Davidson
XL 883 Sportster



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May 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 International Woman Rider Day	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 New Members Ride & Steak Feed
10 Chapter Meeting 1000 Plains Hotel	11	12	13	14 Run to the Wall	15	16 HOG Poker Run w/Thunder Rd
17 Stride Ride	18	19	20	21	22	23 Pigs Nite Out
24	25	26	27	28 WY State HOG Rally Registration Deadline	29	30 LCCC Poker Run
30	9 May: Motorcycle Proclamation Day					