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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dawn "Firecracker" Makowski

Hello Fellow Rockers,

Thank you, thank you, thank you for your support at Wisconsin Harley-Davidson's bike night on July 7th! The band rocked it, food was yummy and plenty of beverage options. The weather wasn't the most ideal, but it wasn't a complete wash out. Those of us who were there, we had fun! So I'd say it was a success! The next bike night with King Kong, is Wednesday, August 4th. The Rock River H.O.G. hospitality tent will be up again. Watch for a volunteer sign-up sheet via Facebook and email. We did order a chapter banner and hoping it will be here in time. If not, we'll get creative so people know where to find us, and more importantly where do they sign up to join.

Important update to our calendar. Please note that our August gathering is being pushed out to Tuesday, August 24th, beginning at 6pm. We've done our meetings at the dealership in September in the past. Since most of the setup will already be occurring due to the rally it made sense to move the date. We will resume our meeting at Ingleside in September. During our August meeting we will not have pays to attend and you will need to be a current member in good standing. We will do 50/50. Watch your emails and social media for detailed information and a request for a few hands to help set up, serve, etc.

We're about half way through the riding season and there's still plenty of riding to be had. Check out our calendar for upcoming rides and social media for impromptu rides. If you're on Facebook and not yet in the group, search for "Rock River HOG #3276" (private group) and request to join.

Below is a recap of a weekly, non-chapter ride that a member has started. Please note, if you've not yet provided your email to Jonathan please do so. Once you have provided your contact information, you'll receive any updates as needed. Please see below for information:

Jonathon's Message:

There are lots of retired people out there with time to ride but nobody to ride with. Let's change that!

We are starting a weekly weekday ride to breakfast/lunch. Here are the details:

~Meet every Thursday 9:00 AM at WHD Service Lounge. They promise to have coffee.

~Those who gather decide where to go and choose a leader.

JG@GoofyGreen.com.

See you on the next ride ~ ride often!

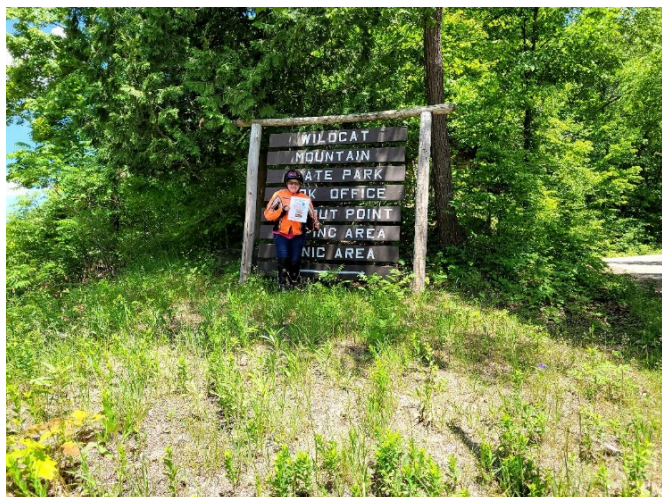
Dawn



FLAT ROCKER UPDATE

For those of you participating in this year's Flat Rocker, please note that Cross Plains State Park (near the Madison area) has now been incorporated into the Ice Age Trail. Thus, you may take your picture in front of the Ice Age Trail sign OR you can use the small yellow rectangular sign across the road that merely reads "State Park."

Reminder: If members are on a scheduled chapter led ride (Rock Wisconsin or Road Captain {ie. Great Mississippi River ride or Hillsboro Ride) then one bike and a group photo with you and the cover will count, but if riding by yourself or with friends no group photos will count.



FROM OUR HISTORIAN

– Carl Samppala

Please welcome the following new members:

Amanda Williams
Collette Konkell
Tony Daniello

Please congratulate these
June 2021 Anniversaries:

2 Year:

Kris Droster
Dan Stammen

5 Year:

Cindy Miller

SENIORS WANNA RIDE

DATE: July 24. Saturday.

WHERE: Stage at New Berlin Police Station 16300 W. National Avenue, New Berlin.

8:30am KSU 8:50 to Regency.

WHAT: Escorted ride with passengers about 25 miles. Should be done about 10:30.

Please consider being a part of this ride that so many seniors find so very special. Below is a picture of a past Seniors Ride – note the enjoyment of the passenger!



LODI RIDE POSTPONED

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the July 24th Lodi ride has to be postponed. Please stay tuned to future newsletters for a possible rescheduled date.

CHAPTER MEETING REMINDER

PLEASE NOTE THIS MEETING WILL BE ONE WEEK LATER AT THE DEALERSHIP!!



TRAVEL TALES

By Jean Lynner



GRAND DAD'S BLUFF – LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN

My brother and I set out on a Saturday in June to ride the country highways to La Crosse and back. It was beautiful back roads through Wisconsin country sides, kettles and valleys. We stumbled across a panoramic view of La Crosse just off of Hwy 33 before you get into town. The area was called Grand Dad's Bluff. It is approximately 590 feet (180 m) above the surrounding land and 1,183 feet (361 m) above sea level.

The history of this scenic gem is very interesting. The bluff was being used for construction limestone materials. The land was being sold for quarry materials. The towns people were really upset to see their bluffs being leveled. In 1909 a resident's family purchased the bluff and gave it to La Crosse for preservation. It was a great view of the Mississippi River and various towns surrounding La Crosse. Was it worth the stop? You bet!!



PICNIC WRAP UP

Wanna know what you missed at the Chapter picnic? We started with an awesome ride led by Dan Stammen (thanks Dan). Then after some socializing and some corn hole throwing, we had cheese and sausage, veggies and fruit (thanks Dawn Makowski) Next were burgers, brats, and salads from Glen's meat market followed by dessert bars (thanks Kris Droster) and cake. Then it was off to games - oh lots of games. Gift cards were flying to the winners, along with many other prizes including scratch off tickets, and many other miscellaneous gifts. Thank you Dawn for those too. Thanks Christine Coleman and Ellen Wollin for helping all day. We ended with a water balloon toss.

Good weather, good friends and good times.

- Timmer

ROCK WISCONSIN

If you missed signing up for the Rock Wisconsin – Door County ride you can email asst_director@rockriverhog.com or wait until the next chapter meeting (but that is the last meeting to sign up!

Next Chapter Meeting

- Last opportunity to sign up for the Door County ride. — \$15 pp deposit
- First Opportunity to sign up for the Fall Trikes and Bikes Ride

All ride information flyers are available on our website – find them on the Rock Wisconsin tab

H.O.G CHAPTER CHALLENGE

Thank you to all who have helped Rock River rise in the Ride 365 standings.

We have moved up from 40th of 85 in our region to 22nd and if only those going on the Great Mississippi River ride this weekend had their mileage already recorded and do it again after this trip, we can move into the top 10!!

If you need some self-motivation, remember if you have an HD-VISA card and you are recording your mileage you get points which = \$\$\$\$. My last 5,000 service was completely paid for by HD-VISA.

DOC'S RIDE RECAP



A country road ride around Lake Winnebago with a wonderful 70 degree day.

Later that week it was found out that the day we were there, one of Doc's largest alligators had escaped! It was eventually found and returned safely.



PICTURE PAGE



The Hillsboro weekend started off very hot at 90 degrees on Friday then ended with 58 degrees on Sunday. Small towns, country roads, Wildcat Mountain and avoided the heavy rain on the way home.



CHERRY PIE BIKE NIGHT



Rest in peace, Nancy Davidson

Want to listen to some tunes while serving some
icy cold beverages?

Looking for help for the following dates:

August 4th from 5:30-9:30 pm

August 7th from 12:30 pm - 4 pm

Looking for 2 to 3 people to help bartend
Please email leslie.smith@wishd.com if your
interested

BIKE NIGHT AUG. 4TH
6-9



AUG. 7TH
WAUKESHA
K-9 MOTORCYCLE
RIDE



