



Brandywine Bullet

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From the director's desk by David G.

First of all, a big shout out to all the members who have given both their time and resources for the chapter. It's all the extras that have helped the chapter to continue to grow, maintain current members and attract new members.

This year brought a change to three of the primary officers; Director, Treasurer and Secretary. We also added new discretionary officers; Head Road Captain, Activities, Web {Social Media}, Photographer, Editor and Membership. Their input and participation has helped in the success of the chapter this year.

Some ideas that seem to set us apart from others;

- We ride. So far **72** rides have been scheduled year to date, 55 completed and 17 canceled due to weather. The chapter continues to have mostly open rides, to encourage new people to join us. We did have had few closed rides for member only as well.

- We offer all types of rides. Long and short, lunch, BBQ, diners, ice cream runs, Poker Run with a twist, sightseeing to Lucy the Elephant, Knoebels, Coal Mine #9 tour, Light Houses, and covered bridges just to mention a few. A big shout out and thank you to all the ride leaders.

We had two overnight Chapter trips this year. One took our members to the Outer Banks and another to the New England area. The members who were able to attend these rides had time to get to know other members and rack up some miles.

These were also some out of chapter rides we participated in; January 1st Brass Nut and Nipple Ride, Special Olympics, Philly Heroes Memorial Ride, West Grove Memorial Day Parade, Bingo for Babies. Many members have participated in other causes, displaying and representing the Brandywine Chapter.

Our Chapter programs for members this year included the Polar Bear winter mileage contest, 4th anniversary luncheon, Get Out and Ride Brandywine Program, the Scavenger Photo Hunt, 50 Rides One Nation display map, and the New Road warrior program. The Chapter continues to support our sponsoring dealership by helping at or attending store events and the yearly Dam Run.

This year we launched a new web page with many great features and we will continue to communicate to members through Facebook and email. In addition to the chapter matters, we also share family concerns if a member wishes to share this info with the chapter membership. The chapter also has a new YouTube Channel at "Brandywine HOG". Make sure to check it out, and look for videos of rides on the channel.

There is a lot going on and will continue to because of support and participation of the chapter's members.

As always stay safe.

Asst. Director's thoughts by Alan R.

Hey Everyone,

First, I just wanted to say thank you to all our members who participated or helped out this year and have made all our events and rides successful. Thanks also to Saunde and the dealership for their support both monetarily as well as with their time and effort.

What a great day we had on August 19th for the 22nd Annual Dam ride. This year's efforts went towards raising money for breast cancer research. I want to thank all who helped out handling the parking of so many bikes and at the registration table.

Several of us also rode up to Vermont where we met with Central Vermont HOG out of Wilkins HD in South Barre, VT. While up there we also rode into New Hampshire and explored Polar Caves. Check out the chapter's Youtube channel to see our videos

Now as we move on to the last few months of the year, we still have more events where we can use your continued help. So please see Flora and sign up for some of these events in advance so we have an idea of where help is still needed.

Please remember to check the chapter calendar for upcoming rides. The road captains put a lot of effort into putting together a ride calendar with a variety of rides to meet the needs of our members. So when you can, please meet up at the appointed KSU and enjoy the rides and camaraderie. Also, any new places to travel to are always welcome so let the road captains know if you have any ideas on new destinations.

As for my personal riding season, it has been all over the place. With three surgeries down I am finally able to feel my arm with no numbness. I missed the first five months of riding and now I am missing another two months due to an additional surgery. So roll on 2024!

Several of our members went to Milwaukee to take part in the 120th anniversary celebration of Harley-Davidson. Some have enjoyed other celebrations in previous years, and some were first timers, it is apparent that those who attended really enjoyed their time out there and they brought back some great photos to share with the rest of us on our HOG Facebook page.



A group of riders from Central VT HOG joined us on Saturday morning for a day-long ride.



Along the route we stopped at Wilkins H-D in South Barre, VT for fun festivities at the dealership's Open House.

Fall endurance run by Deb G.

Four Brandywine HOG members (Bernie & Debbie G. and Mac & Joanne M.) completed one heck of an endurance ride in mid-October.

Day 1- We started our trek with KSU at 5:30 am on Thursday, October 12th in Downingtown, PA. We traveled through PA, OH, IN, and landed in Saginaw, MI for the evening. 692 miles.



Day 3 - October 14th started early with KSU 6:45 am. We rode west through the UP of Michigan until we hit Duluth, MN, and then headed up along the North Shore of Lake Superior. Sixty miles north of Duluth, we stopped at Split Rock Lighthouse for the HD 50 Rides 1 Nation in Minnesota. By now it was lunchtime and we had an important decision to make. Stop at Subway for lunch & chit chat OR eat a few protein bars and hightail it to Chippewa Falls HD (200 miles away and closing at 4 pm). When you see Bernie or Mac in a new Chippewa Falls t-shirt, you'll know the decision. After leaving the dealership, we headed to the H.O.G. crossroads in Globe, WI, a HD 10 Rides for '23 destination. We continued south to spend the night at Wisconsin Dells, WI. 625 miles.

Day 2 - October 13th started early with breakfast which included the yummy cinnamon buns at the Holiday Inn Express. KSU by 6:30 am and headed northwest through the Tunnel of Trees, H-D 50 Rides 1 Nation site for Michigan, which runs along the coast of Lake Michigan. We crossed over the Mackinac Bridge, with Lake Michigan to the left and Lake Huron to the right, into the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. We rode for the rest of the day along the north coast of Lake Michigan and through the beautiful fall foliage of the UP. Our day ended in Iron River, MI. We skirted the drizzle for most of the day and only had one close call with a deer. 500 miles.



Day 4 - October 15th started early with KSU 6:30 am. We headed south through Wisconsin and farmlands of Illinois. So many windmill fields! Felt like we were in a sci-fi movie. Today's destination was the 12-foot high Superman statue in Metropolis, IL, the HD 50 Rides 1 Nation site for Illinois. Fun spot for some candid pics. Leaving Metropolis meant one thing, start heading east. We drove a while and spent the night in western KY. The hotel staff treated us to fresh baked cookies and the waiter at the restaurant was so friendly! 650 miles.



Day 5 - October 16th started early with KSU 6:30 am Central Time. On our way to Cincinnati, we immediately lost an hour to switch to Eastern Time zone. That didn't deter us from a quick stop at Bluegrass H-D. Wow, what an impressive building and dealership! Will definitely plan a road trip back for some serious shopping! Drizzle plagued us on and off again all day. Around 9 pm, a raccoon on the Turnpike gave Bern a few gray hairs, followed soon with a blue tarp flying from an 18-wheeler. 880 miles and 19-hours later, we arrived home safely Tuesday morning at 1:45 am. Lots of laughs and memories made these 5 days! What an adventure!

One investment we made before the trip was heated gear. It kept us cozy and dry in chilly temps and drizzle. Quote from Bernie G. - "This gear is a game changer."



Upcoming rides and events

November

18th - Chapter meeting, 8:00 am at Brandywine H-D

19th - B.A.C.A. Delco Annual Toy Drop, KSU at 10:30 am

December

1st - Santa Goes to Elwyn, KSU at 10:00 am

2nd - Closed event, Christmas Party

16th - Chapter meeting, 8:00 am at Brandywine H-D

Ride stats so far this year

72 rides were scheduled

55 rides were completed

610 riders and passengers rode for 122,399 miles



With colder temps coming our way it doesn't mean you have to stop riding. It just means you need to be prepared. Numb fingers and frozen toes can take the enjoyment out a ride really quickly. Layering on the clothes works well for some riders while others choose to invest in heated jacket liners and gloves. Heated pants liners and socks are also fair game if you want to brave the cold tempos for long rides. Either route you choose, winter riding can be as enjoyable as the dog days of summer.

MOTORCYCLE WIND CHILL CHART

Riding Speed (mph)	Air Temperature (°f)									
	15°	20°	25°	30°	35°	40°	45°	50°	55°	60°
25	-4°	3°	9°	16°	23°	29°	36°	43°	49°	56°
30	-5°	1°	8°	15°	22°	28°	35°	42°	49°	56°
35	-7°	0°	7°	14°	21°	28°	35°	41°	48°	55°
40	-8°	-1°	6°	13°	20°	27°	34°	41°	48°	55°
45	-9°	-2°	5°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
50	-10°	-3°	4°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
55	-11°	-3°	4°	11°	18°	25°	32°	40°	47°	54°
60	-11°	-4°	3°	10°	17°	25°	32°	39°	46°	54°
65	-12°	-5°	2°	10°	17°	24°	32°	39°	46°	53°
70	-13°	-6°	2°	9°	16°	24°	31°	38°	46°	53°
75	-13°	-6°	1°	9°	16°	23°	31°	38°	46°	53°
80	-14°	-7°	1°	8°	16°	23°	30°	38°	45°	53°
85	-15°	-7°	0°	8°	15°	23°	30°	38°	45°	52°

2023 10,000-mile Milestone members.

From Chris & Katie P.

Q: Where did you travel to this year?

A: Myrtle Beach, Laconia, Gettysburg, & some trips for the 50 rides one nation program.

Q: What are a few memories from those travels this year?

A: The trip to Myrtle Beach Bike Week was awesome. Spokes and Bones is a great place to checkout.

Q: Where or what would you like to do next?

A: Daytona Bike Week



It's Polar Bear Challenge Time!

The Polar bear riding challenge began on November first, and runs until March 31st. If you haven't already registered your mileage with Alan R. you may be missing out. Snap a picture of your odometer and text or email it to Alan R. to get started. The top riders will be awarded a gift card and bragging rights for the next year.

2024 Chapter Officers

The chapter held its annual election of officers beginning with nominations in September. Since those members who were nominated were not opposed, they were accepted at the October meeting as the incoming officers for 2024. The officers elected are as follows;

Director - Alan R.

Assistant Director - Bryon R.

Treasurer - Joe W.

Secretary - Curt B.

Discretionary officers below will continue to serve the chapter as;

Head Road Captain - Mike M.

Web mistress - Erin M.

Membership - Flora R.

If you have an interest in helping the chapter move forward, consider volunteering your time. We are looking for someone to serve as photographer to help take pictures on rides and to update the TV at the dealership. We also are hoping to find someone to organize activities other than rides. There may be other opportunities to serve as well. See Alan R. Or one of the other officers if interested.

Two-wheel trivia

See how many motorcycle related words you can find. Two word items do not have spaces.

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 TACHOMETER
 TRANSMISSION

BRAKES
 DAVIDSON
 ENGINE
 FOOTBOARDS
 HARLEY
 JIFFY STAND
 ROAD GLIDE
 SADDLEBAG
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 GAS TANK
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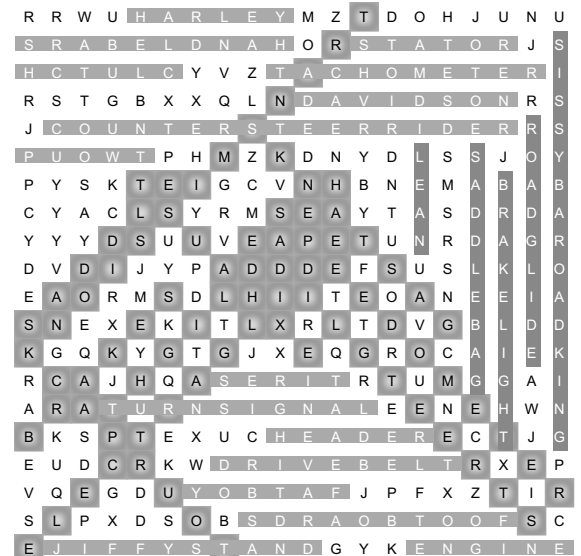
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Two-wheel trivia

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See how many motorcycle related words you can find. Two word items do not have spaces.



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COUNTERSTEER
ELECTRA GLIDE
FAT BOY
HANDLEBARS
HEADLIGHT
RIDER
SADDLE
SPEEDOMETER
TACHOMETER
TRANSMISSION | BRAKES
DAVIDSON
ENGINE
FOOTBOARDS
HARLEY
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