



Welcome to 2024 by Alan R., Director

Happy New year from me and all of the chapter officers. The start of this year has brought snowfall that we haven't seen in over two years. It seems like it is nice all week then the weekend brings rain or snow. I hope everyone stayed safe and warm.

I would like to thank everyone for their support as we move further into our 5th year as a chapter. It's hard to believe that July 2024 will be our 5th anniversary. Over these few years our chapter has weathered its fair share of challenges, however one thing that never changes is our love for motorcycles and the friendships we have with each other.

Looking ahead to 2024 our chapter officers have been hard at work planning an exciting riding season. Our focus is clear - ride, have fun, and strengthen the connections between members and our valued dealership, Brandywine H.D. So get ready for an exciting year of rides and activities. Some of the things to look forward to are the overnight trip to Niagara Falls and Canada, both twisty and leisurely weekly rides, lunch rides, evening rides, and a variety of social events. This all would not happen if it wasn't for the dedication of the officers and the support from Brandywine H.D. While some events have already been planned, if you have an idea for a ride or social event please talk to one of the officers so we can help you get the ball rolling. Your input is important.



Welcome (cont.)

To learn more about our plans for 2024, mark your calendars to join us at 8:00 am on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Brandywine H.D. Our chapter photo will be held on March 16th after the meeting, so don't forget to wear your vests or Brandywine HOG attire. We look forward to seeing you at chapter meetings and on rides so come join us and have fun.

Remember.... the only ride you will ever regret is the one you didn't go on. Be safe and enjoy the ride.

Life Behind Bars by Bryon R., Asst. Dir.

In most circles, one would not aspire to be 'behind bars'. However, we are talking motorcycle handle bars; and in that context, getting behind bars makes complete sense. I got bit by the bug early on in my life. My earliest memory of riding was on the back of my uncle's Harley in upstate New York, when visiting my grandparents. Since the first ride, at four or five years old, I had the goal of sitting behind my own handlebars.

As I grew up, that dream never wavered even though I didn't always talk about it. My father had a couple of used motorcycles throughout my childhood. I recall riding to football practice on the back of dad's bike, wearing my football helmet on the 2-mile ride. In high school, I learned to ride on my dad's Kawasaki 750, complete with fairing and large windshield.

Behind Bars (cont.)

Honestly, for a 5' 5", 110 lb. high school senior, that was a lot of bike. But the thrill was overwhelming. I knew I would be getting my license; and would, eventually, have my own motorcycle.

Freshman year of college, both of those dreams came true. I rode a Honda Custom 500, which was ideal for a college campus. Between classes, part-time work, and cross-country and track practices, I spent time exploring roads in and around Chester County, PA. When I got out on the road, it seemed that all of my cares were swept away. 'Wind Therapy' became a real and tangible thing, even if it could not be touched or felt by non-riders. I'll never forget the exhilaration I felt the first time I went over the open-grate bridge on Rosedale Avenue, heading southwest off of campus. It had a slight drop on the far side causing me to briefly go air-borne. I did a short loop, just so I could go over it again!

Fast forward 30+ years, and that thrill is still there. Only now, I get to share that feeling with the love of my life sitting behind me, and like-minded friends sharing the road with me. While adventures on the road are more fun when shared, I still find solace in a solo ride, cares falling away behind me, the wind rushing over me as I ride down the road. What inspired you to get behind bars?



2023 10,000-mile Milestone member - Dave Goodwin by David G.

Where did you travel to this year?

I traveled locally within a couple hundred miles with about half my miles riding with the Patriot Guard.

What are a few memories from those travels this year?

One thing that stands out for the year is the time the Patriot Guard was escorting a veteran to the cemetery. Upon entering the cemetery, a song by Trace Atkins titled Arlington started to play on my MP-3 player. If you never heard it, look it up and listen to it. It will pull at your heart.

Where or what would you like to do next?

Hopefully I can keep riding in the future, exploring new places.

Any advice for your fellow riders?

Just get out and ride. Turn down some road and see where it takes you. Sometimes you'll be surprised what you might find. Don't worry about getting lost. You will eventually come to a road you know.



Tech Talk by Bernie G.

Tech Talk is a new forum for Brandywine HOG members and guests with simple reminders and suggestions for this upcoming riding season. The goal is to limit riding issues you may face this year either with your bike or your personal well-being. This is not a “Fix Your Bike Problems Forum”; we’ll leave that up to the professionals at the Brandywine H-D Service Dept. to handle.

As we are a riding chapter with members who log a lot of miles, it’s easy to forget or take for granted the little things that could be an issue for our bikes and ourselves. Below is checklist of suggestions and things to remember.

- 1) **Winter months and bike battery:** For those of you who are not riding, you should have a battery tender on your bike to keep your battery up and charged. Cold weather drastically affects the life of your battery and if left unattended will either leave you stranded on the road or will not start at all when you’re ready to start riding this season.
- 2) **Tire pressure:** During the winter months, not riding and cold temperatures can affect your bike’s tire pressure. It can sometimes decrease by 3-7 pounds or more. For every degree below 35 degrees, tire pressures will drop around 1 pound of pressure. Always do a pre-ride check of your bike and this area should not be overlooked.
- 3) **Winter riding gear:** Make sure you layer up with thermals, jackets, leather chaps as well as helmet liners. For some riders, heated gear is a game changer, certainly something to think about. As for products, there are multiple manufacturers which are all good. Talk to friends and members who are riding in comfort to get their suggestions. As for footwear, wear whatever keeps your feet warm. Would hate to come to a stop, put your foot down only to find you cannot feel it!
- 4) **Winter bike maintenance:** Now is time to get all your maintenance needs taken care of before our season begins! New tires, oil changes, brakes, flushes, whatever is needed, get it taken care of now in the cold weather. Once the weather breaks, we want to see everyone on our Chapter Rides and not be bogged down with bike issues. Brandywine H-D will take care of all your needs. Call them today to schedule an appointment, before the springtime rush.
- 5) **Hand signals:** As we kickoff this year with Chapter rides, please refresh your memory with the hand signals that our chapter uses. They help keep all of us safe as individuals and as a group!

The goal is to have a monthly Tech Talk with new items each month. Visit our website, Facebook group and Chapter newsletter for the latest updates to this forum. Looking forward to seeing everyone out on our Chapter Rides, BE SAFE!

The most recognized photo in Harley Davidson history; Ray, Johnnie, and the HOG legacy

100 years ago, a member of the Harley-Davidson racing team shared a Coke with a piglet. It would become one of the most recognized photos of Harley-Davidson history, and a key moment in the brand's lore.

The racer is Ray Weishaar, a member of the factory racing team since 1914. The animal is Johnnie Duroc Weishaar, a six-week-old piglet, adopted from a local farmer, who became the race-winner's mascot—complete with a festive white and green H-D pennant tucked into his harness—for the 100-mile road race held at Marion, Indiana, on Sept. 6, 1920.

For big events like the Marion "Cornfield Classic" race, racing teams would arrive days in advance in order to practice, tweak their machines, and stay abreast of the weather and track conditions. Press, too, arrived early and wrote about the activity as part of the comprehensive race coverage in their trade magazines.

It seems Ray and Johnnie drew attention early on, earning numerous mentions in reports of the famed Marion race both before and after Ray's big win. Excerpts from *Motorcycling and Bicycling* and *Motorcycle & Bicycle Illustrated* share the behind-the-photo story of the now-iconic duo. (Story taken from <https://www.insurance.harley-davidson.com/the-open-road/profiles/ray-and-johnnie-and-the-hog-legacy>)



For a quick history of Harley Davidson motorcycles go to the web site listed below. <https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/content/expert-advice/h-d-history-guides/>

HOG Challenge - Dealer Check-ins

HOG offers some really great riding challenges to its members. One of those in 2023 was the Dealership Check-in Challenge. The basic idea is that you plan and enjoy a ride to a dealership. When you get to your dealership destination, snap a photo of your bike and yourself holding a current cover of the HOG Membership Guide in front of the dealership. You then submit the photo online at the Ride 365 portion of the HOG Member website. For each check-in you complete you earn one point. When you reach ten check-ins you receive a patch and pin. Other point levels up to 100 points earn additional prizes or gift certificates, but if you reach 100 points you earn a \$100 gift card. There is also recognition for those who score the most points nationwide. First, second, and third place winners receive a plaque, recognition at the H-D Museum and a monetary prize - \$2000 for first place, \$1500 for second, and \$1000 for third.

A few of our members have participated in the challenge, but two of our chapter members took the challenge to heart in 2023. Mike McG. and Bernie G. spent a lot of time and miles, about 27,000 miles through nine or ten states, pursuing seventy-five dealer check-ins from February to December last year. On a few occasions they rode 500 miles or more to get to a dealership. While getting to the dealership was certainly a goal, there were other benefits along the way. Bernie shared that they saw some beautiful countryside, found some enjoyable roads as they travelled, and met some great people at the dealerships or along the route. The time riding also helped build a stronger friendship between the two of them. If you get a few minutes to talk with Bernie or Mike, ask them about "flipping a nickel" to help choose the route they followed.

If you are interested in the Dealership Check-in Challenge for 2024 the guidelines are included near the end of this newsletter. Please also review the official rules for the challenge available on the HOG Ride 365 web site.

Member Spotlight on . . . Kent E.

Kent has a long history riding two wheels. He started at 11 with mini-bikes and then moved to a variety of dirt bikes in his teens. At sixteen he was riding a Motobecane Moped to get to work mostly. In his twenties he moved on to a 1977 Honda GL 1000 Goldwing that led to a love of touring bikes. A 1989 Yamaha Venture also helped bring new adventures to his life.

Like many riders, Kent took a break from riding when other things took precedence. He started working in Information Technologies in the early 80s and married in 1987. He and his wife of thirty-six years raised two children, both adults now. In 2004, after a twenty year break, the desire to ride again kicked in. He bought a 2003 Honda Shadow 750 ACE which turned out to be a good bike at first, but as he began riding longer distances and also going 2-up more than expected, the need for something with more power became apparent. After some research, Kent started looking for one of Harley's Rushmore Edition Ultra Classics. He eventually located a 2016 with low mileage in Virginia. He rode his first Harley home to Delaware on Easter Sunday in 2017. Over the past few years Kent has made some improvements to the bike in an effort to make it his own and still enjoys riding his 2016 Rushmore. While he does check out newer bikes from time to time, he feels he has put a lot of time, effort, and \$\$ into getting his Rushmore "just right". He says if there is a next bike, he's pretty sure it's going to be another Harley.

These days Kent enjoys riding on warm, dry days from sun-up to a few hours after sundown. He finds it amazing to see just how far you can go and what you can do in a day and still sleep in your own bed at night. While the "mountaintop" experiences of multi-day and "destination" trips are awesome, they don't make up the majority of his riding.

Kent has enjoyed many memorable rides over the years, but he sees his most recent trip to Milwaukee in July of 2023 as one that stands out.

Spotlight (cont.)

He shared the ride with two other guys. "We had almost perfect weather the whole time, and we rode along at an unhurried pace. Having already padded in extra days or travel time 'just in case' meant we could take our time and ride a little further to avoid congestion to make the super slab portions of the trip more tolerable. After a rough pre-trip (our hotel cancelled our rooms two weeks before we were supposed to leave), it seemed things just kept falling into place for us with being able to get great hotels at reasonable rates, and avoiding storms. We deliberately got off the beaten path many times and rode some nice roads, discovered some local attractions and eateries that we wouldn't have otherwise seen. The trip was very relaxing and enjoyable."

One piece of advice from Kent is to invest in some quality heated gear. It will allow you to more comfortably ride longer in the cooler months. While it can be a little pricey to get a full setup, if you get good equipment it should last you for decades. You'll be surprised how many more good riding days there are during those "off season" months once cold isn't a limiting factor.



Picture Scavenger Hunt 2024 by Dave G.

The photo scavenger hunt is for all active Brandywine HOG members to search, explore, or hunt for interesting places. There will be three challenges this year during May, July and September. Participants will enter their finds for a chance to win a prize.

1st place prize - \$50 Brandywine Dealership Gift Card

2nd place prize - \$25 Wawa Gift Card

To participate, members must have attended one chapter meeting or a chapter ride before submitting entries.

Each month's challenge will have twelve subjects, locations, places, or objects to find. For example, a firehouse with the name starting with a Z, a historical building/monument, or a sunrise over water, etc. The list will be sent out to all members the day before the monthly hunt begins, and each member will have the entire month to find and submit photos for the challenge. The first month's list of subjects will be sent out by April 30th. ,

Pictures submitted must include the subject and your bike. Passengers can submit photos also, but they must be in the picture with the bike and subject. For each photo submitted you get one entry into a monthly drawing so each month a member can have up to twelve chances to win. **Only one photo per member per subject is permitted.** The winner will be drawn at the chapter meeting following the month of the search. Only one prize per participant will be awarded. You do not have to be present to win.

Entries should be emailed to David G. at gunlefinger@yahoo.com or texted to [484-609-0951](tel:484-609-0951). Make the subject line Brandywine Photo Challenge and include your full name.

No matter how bad your day has been, your bike will always make you feel better.



Your bike at the ruins of a building is an example of what a possible scavenger hunt topic might be.

Bike Blessing

The Brandywine HOG Chapter 8249 will be holding its annual Bike Blessing at 10:30 am on April 20th following its General membership meeting at Brandywine Harley Davidson. All interested riders should plan to arrive at the dealership between 9:00 and 10:15 am for the blessing. Members of the chapter will be on hand to assist with parking in the lot behind the dealership. Nonmember riders are welcome to attend the chapter meeting at 8:00 am.



Out and about to the Reading Pagoda

by David G.

I often find myself out exploring new roads or doing a pre-ride for a possible chapter ride. Some days it's a little of both. February 7th was a clear, crisp Wednesday with morning temps around 33° and getting up to 45° by the afternoon with full sun. I had my heated gear on and started from the dealership at around 10:00 am. After traveling about 50 miles, more back roads than highways, I arrived at the Reading Pagoda around 11:30.

Navigating Duryea Drive up to the Pagoda can be a little challenging. It has lots of tight switch backs that can raise your heart rate a bit. Once you get to the top though you will find there is plenty of parking to allow your heart to recover. Unfortunately the Pagoda is undergoing restoration and is closed to the public, so you cannot get inside the building. The grounds are open so you can still wander and check out the great views overlooking the city of Reading. There are a few park benches around for a quick rest as you explore. One point to remember is that there are no rest rooms up there, so make sure to stop on the way.

The Pagoda has a varied history and a little research might prove interesting. A visit to the Reading Pagoda is well worth the trip.



Upcoming rides and events

All rides start at Brandywine Harley Davidson in the front parking lot.

February

28th - Closed ride for members only

March

2nd - Iron Valley H-D. KSU at 9:00 am

9th - Dickinson Plantation, KSU at 9:00 am

16th - Chapter meeting at 8:00 am, ride to Strasburg RR, KSU at 9:30 am

30th - Divino's Italian Eatery, KSU at 9:30 am

April

6th - Horsepower HD, KSU at 8:00 am

13th - 3 Dealership Run, KSU at 7:00 am

14th - Ride to the Tide, for info only, not a chapter sponsored ride

17th - Closed ride for members only

20th - Chapter Meeting at 8:00 am, Bike Blessing at 10:30 am (rain date is April 27th)

27th - Gettysburg Battlefield, KSU at 8:00 am

28th - Poker Ride #2, KSU at 10:00 am

May

4th - Jetty in Stevensville, MD, KSU at 9:30 am

5th - Safe Harbor Park, KSU at 3:00 pm, Closed ride for members only

18th - Chapter meeting at 8:00 am

19th - Lake Wallenpaupack, KSU at 8:00 am

22nd - Lunch Run #2, KSU at 10:00 am

25th - 10 Covered Bridges, KSU at 9:00 am

Please check the chapter website or Facebook group page for the most up to date ride list or details on closed rides.



Wind Therapy

See if you can find all of the words related to our favorite pastime. Two-word entries do not have spaces.

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 SPOKES
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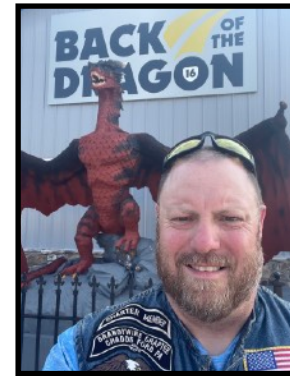


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One of the chapter's goals this riding season is to make better use of hand signals as we ride. The most frequently used signals are those indicating left and right turns, single file, return to staggered formation, and identifying road hazards. Slow down and speed up are sometimes used by ride leaders as well. It's important that you know these hand signals and pass them back along the formation as we ride to help ensure the safety of all our members.

MOTORCYCLE HAND SIGNALS

 <p>LEFT TURN Arm and hand extending left, palm facing down</p>	 <p>RIGHT TURN Arm out bent at 90° angle up with fist clenched</p>	 <p>STOP Arm out bent at 90° angle down with palm facing back</p>
 <p>SLOW DOWN Arm extended straight out with palm facing down while swinging arm down</p>	 <p>SPEED UP Arm extended straight out with palm facing up while swinging arm upward</p>	 <p>HAZARD IN ROAD On left point with left hand On right point with right foot</p>
 <p>FOLLOW ME Arm extended straight up with palm facing forward</p>	 <p>COME AROUND/ TAKE THE LEAD Arm extended index finger pointing out while swinging arc from back to front</p>	 <p>PULL OFF Arm extended index finger pointing out while swinging arc from left to over head</p>
 <p>SINGLE FILE Arm straight up with index finger pointed up</p>	 <p>DOUBLE FILE Arm straight up with index finger and middle finger up</p>	 <p>RIDE STAGGERED Arm straight up with index finger and pinky up</p>
 <p>FUEL STOP Point to fuel tank</p>	 <p>COMFORT STOP Arm extended with clenched fist with short up and down motion</p>	 <p>REFRESHMENT STOP Fingers closed with thumb to mouth</p>
 <p>TURN SIGNAL ON Extend arm while opening and closing hand</p>	 <p>POLICE AHEAD Tap top of head or helmet with palm of hand</p>	 <p>CYCLEFISH.COM BIKER & MOTORCYCLE NETWORK</p>

Classified Ads

In our classified ads you will find items for sale or services provided by members or offered by businesses that know motorcycles and riders. You may just find something you need. If you would like to have an ad in our newsletter, please send your info to Curt at crbarr55@gmail.com.



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Crocheting services. I am an avid crocheter and can make afghans, throw blankets, baby blankets, and scarves. I accept custom orders. Call Debi's Designs for details at 302-379-4868.



Men's leather vest with Harley logo patch, size large. Has two outside pockets and one inside. Asking \$50. Contact Judy M. at 302-540-3471 or by email at jmlocklady@verizon.net



2024 DEALERSHIP CHECK-IN CHALLENGE CONTEST

For additional details, and to view the Official Rules for this Contest, please go to h-d.com/ride365.

PRIZES

- **FIRST PLACE:** \$2,000 Harley-Davidson® Gift Card; 1st Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum®.
- **SECOND PLACE:** \$1,500 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; 2nd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum.
- **THIRD PLACE:** \$1000 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; 3rd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Harley-Davidson Museum.
- **100 POINTS OR MORE:** \$100 Norscot Gift Certificate for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise.
- **75-99 POINTS:** \$75 Norscot Gift Certificate for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise
- **50-74 POINTS:** \$50 Norscot Gift Certificate for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise; HOG Golden Motorcycle Key
- **25-49 POINTS:** HOG Wing Pin
- **10-24 POINTS:** Dealership Check-In Challenge Pin & Patch

Please note: For each prize level range, participant will receive all prizes listed for that level plus all prizes for levels surpassed.

PARTICIPATION - U.S. HOG MEMBERS

- Any Full or Passenger/Associate H.O.G. member from the U.S. may enter. Entries must be submitted individually.
- Only one 2024 Dealership Check-In Challenge entry per H.O.G. member.
- **By participating in the Contest, you agree that your name, biographical information, and photos submitted in connection with this Contest may be used for advertising and promotional purposes without limitation and without additional notice, compensation, or consent, except where prohibited. Photos submitted may be available for viewing on the Internet by a world-wide audience.**
- Entrant agrees that any dispute with regard to the conduct of this contest, rule interpretation and application, the awarding of prizes, or any other matter related to this Contest, shall be submitted to Harley-Davidson, whose decision shall be binding and final.
- Individuals participate at their own risk. Do not break the law or endanger yourself or others when taking photos.

PHOTO SUBMISSIONS

All photos must be submitted online at h-d.com/ride365. Photo formats accepted are .jpg, .gif, and .png. Each photo must not exceed 5MB in size.

NOTE: Images must be clear, and names/signs must be legible in submitted prints. Prints that are blurred, fuzzy, illegible, or unrecognizable will not receive points.

PHOTO ELEMENTS

- Your Harley-Davidson motorcycle must be in each photo. (A Harley-Davidson® motorcycle rental through EagleRider is also acceptable.)
- Either a current year Membership Guide cover must be clearly identifiable in each photo. (Go to h-d.com/ride365 to download a printable version.)
- Photos must clearly identify the authorized H-D dealership in the United States. A full list of participating dealerships can be found at h-d.com/dealers.
- You, the entrant, must appear in at least ten (10) photos.

HOW DO I EARN POINTS?

Please upload photo for each:

- One (1) point for each individual authorized Harley-Davidson Dealership in the United States.

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

- Photos must be submitted online at h-d.com/ride365
- One photo must be included for each point for which you are submitting. All entries must be submitted online no later than **December 31, 2024**. Decisions of the judges are final. Prizes are subject to change.



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM AND RELEASE

Chapter Name: _____

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Phone: _____ Member Nat'l H.O.G. Number: _____

Expiration Date of National H.O.G.® Membership: _____

I have read the *H.O.G.® Chapter Charter* and hereby agree to abide by it as a member of this Dealer sponsored Chapter.

I recognize that while this Chapter is chartered with H.O.G., it remains a separate, independent entity solely responsible for its actions.

THIS IS A RELEASE, READ BEFORE SIGNING

I agree that the Sponsoring Dealer, Harley Owners Group® (H.O.G.®), Harley-Davidson, Inc., Harley-Davidson Motor Company, my Chapter and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (hereinafter, the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**) shall not be liable or responsible for injury to me (including paralysis or death) or damage to my property occurring during any H.O.G.® or H.O.G.® Chapter activities and resulting from acts or omissions occurring during the performance of the duties of the Released Parties, even where the damage or injury is caused by negligence (except willful neglect). I understand and agree that all H.O.G.® members and their guests participate voluntarily and at their own risk in all H.O.G.® activities and I assume all risks of injury and damage arising out of the conduct of such activities. I release and hold the **"RELEASED PARTIES"** harmless from any injury or loss to my person or property which may result from my participation in H.O.G. activities and EVENT(S). I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT I AGREE NOT TO SUE THE **"RELEASED PARTIES"** FOR ANY INJURY OR RESULTING DAMAGE TO MYSELF OR MY PROPERTY ARISING FROM, OR IN CONNECTION WITH, THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR CHAPTER DUTIES IN SPONSORING, PLANNING OR CONDUCTING SAID EVENT(S).

WAIVER OF RIGHTS UNDER STATE STATUTES

I further agree to waive all benefits flowing from any state statute which would negate or limit the scope of this Release and Indemnification Agreement including, but not limited to, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which provides:

"A general release does not extend to the claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known to him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

By signing this Release, I certify that I have read this Release and fully understand it and that I am not relying on any statements or representations made by the **"RELEASED PARTIES"**.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHAPTER