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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dawn “Firecracker” Makowski

Spring has sprung and riding season is here. At Wisconsin Harley-Davidson the riding academy classes resumed and it was inspiring to see future Harley-Davidson enthusiasts and HOG members. I had the pleasure of meeting Paul Blotske, our HOG manager, at a “Welcome Back” riding academy graduates pilot program Wisconsin Harley-Davidson participated in. We tagged team on representing HOG and the Rock River HOG Chapter. We shared riding stories and our history with HD and HOG. I am expecting him to drop in at some point to one of our social gatherings (actually a meeting, but don’t tell him I used that word). I absolutely LOVED his message about HOG membership benefits. Goes something like HOG has great benefits but it’s the participation that produces the rewards. So on that note, here’s your friendly reminder to register for the mileage programs and don’t forget to bring your bike in for mileage readings.

Speaking of riding, it’s been great seeing many of you posting about your rides on Facebook. I am jealous! My Road Glide isn’t ready yet and my back up bike is still in storage. So please keep sharing your pictures and stories! I’ll temporary live through all of you.

Our calendar is getting full. Be sure to read the newsletter, e-blasts and stop by the registration tables at meetings to keep updated. The Rock Wisconsin Committee has done an awesome job and their rides will fill up quickly.

I wasn’t going to write about Bear for this edition, but there is never a dull moment in our house. We’ve moved on from the birds. Rabbits is what suits him these days. And, it’s no easy task convincing him to release. Trickery, with the best meats in the fridge, is the only solution at 6am when we’re trying to get ready for work. His last catch was a “Kodak moment.” Unfortunately, I didn’t have my phone with me to take a picture. Without going into too many details, we managed to get him to release, dragged him into the house, only to turn around and see a piece of fur hanging out the side of his mouth. It really is sad about the rabbit, but you just can’t make that up. After I got over the shock of having to take care of the remnants of that poor rabbit, I thought it was funny as s&#t! The fur hanging out the side of his mouth, not the demise of the poor rabbit.

Happy Riding!



FLAT ROCKER 2021

Welcome to Rock River Chapter's 2021 Flat Rocker. This year's contest involves visits to all the Wisconsin State Parks. The basic premise is to visit each park (isn't it great they are open this year?), take a photo with yourself, the 2021 Flat Rocker cover and earn a point. Add your motorcycle in the picture and earn an extra point. Because only the sign needs to be in the picture, an annual sticker is not required for this contest.

There will be three point categories of participation and prizes will be based on random drawings from each one.

The Rock Wisconsin Committee has worked diligently to incorporate this challenge into their planned rides for the season with stops at state parks for photo opportunities. Those rides include the Mississippi River Ride, the Wonderful Waterfalls Ride and the Door County Ride. The specific list of parks on those rides will be listed on the contest rules sheet.

A detailed explanation of this year's challenge will be presented at the chapter meeting on April 20th with the cover page and rules printout available for pick up along with booklets of the Wisconsin State Park System. For those who cannot attend, those documents will be available starting April 21st on the RRC web page.

SWAP MEET SUMMARY

Hi all, our first swap meet was a success! We sold out all the planned tables and added two more the day of for good measure and the pizza was delicious. Our 50/50 raffle ladies did an awesome job netting \$540 so thanks to Candy P. and Christine C. for those sales. Thank you so much to Rob F. my right hand man, Matt and Christy D., Mike K., Jeff Y., Keri Y., Bonnie B., and Kris D. at the check in. Thanks Dawn for helping with supplies. I couldn't have done any of this without you. It's great that we ended up making a profit for our chapter. --- Timmer

INFORMATION

FROM OUR NEW



PHOTOGRAPHER

Hello everyone – Sammi Lynn here! I am your chapter's new photographer. As I am unsure how your previous photographer did things, I will share with you how I will run this aspect of our chapter.

I will have a sign up at each chapter meeting for the next month's events. I will be looking for 1- 3 photographers for each event. After the event, you would then email me the photos with perhaps a description if necessary if I am unable to figure out what the picture is about. If you cannot make a meeting but would be willing to take a few pictures at an event you will be attending, please email me at SamanthaB2001@yahoo.com

I look forward to seeing your photos!



UPCOMING BIKE BLESSING

Hello Ladies and Gentlemen. I will be leading a Bike Blessing Ride on May 2nd to Old Lebanon which is north of Watertown. I have room for 15 to 20 more people. We will be meeting at the dealership with KSU at 11:30 am. arriving approximately at 12:30 at Stoll's Olde 109. The blessing will follow. Those that would like to eat are welcome to go in and enjoy great food. This is a much smaller place from the last couple years and we will be seated in smaller groups, but they are excited to see us! There will be a sign up sheet at the next meeting that has names already from last month. If you are unable to make the meeting you can email me at fatbob@wi.rr.com or have someone going to the meeting to sign you up. Thanks everybody, Bob

PIZZA PERFECT

On Friday, April 2nd, 29 members of the Rock River HOG Chapter took part in the Good Friday Pizza Run. It was kickstands up at 12:30 from Wisconsin Harley-Davidson.

We were blessed with weather in the upper 50s, clear skies and light winds for the first chapter ride of the season. It was a nice 45 minute ride on winding roads through parts of the Kettle Moraine State Forest on the way to Double D's Bar and Grill on Lake Beulah.

Double D's did a great job of hosting with our tables set as we walked in the door and had food out for us in less than 5 minutes from the time we walked in. Members were able to catch up with fellow members and enjoy great thin crust pizza as well.

This was the first ride I set up as road captain and was really happy with the success of the event. Several other road captains were on the ride and helped make sure the ride did not have any safety issues and I want to thank them for their assistance.

If you have not been on a chapter ride before, please come on out. We have riders with all kinds of experience and your fellow riders will be glad to assist you and make you feel very welcome. It was great to finally be able to do something as a group again since the pandemic canceled nearly all rides last season.

- J.T. Greenwald



WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW ROCK RIVER CHAPTER MEMBERS!

(updated as of April 3, 2021)

Christopher Abel	Brian Blankenheim
Brian Blume	Samantha Boos
Bonnie Braun	Brad Burdette
Mark Castonguay	John Cone
Karl Cumblad	Lucy Currah
Charlie Hartl	Mark Kenyon
Kitty Knight	Perry Kohorn
Gary Malinowski	Jeffery Mcswain
Stephanie Meise	Edwin North
Sarah Phillips	Eric Shoenike
Ellen Wollin	



CHAPTER MEETING REMINDER

Reminder that our April chapter meeting will be held at the **Ingleside Hotel** located at 2810 Golf Rd in Pewaukee. 6:00 social hour, 7:00 meeting begins.

****Note** – If you would like your mileage checked for the HOG chapter challenge, see Ken in the parking lot from 6:15-6:45. He will need your VIN and your mileage.

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Please double check and verify that you have signed up to be a member for 2021. If you think you are a member but perhaps forgot to pay or sign the forms, access to items such as e-blasts, etc will be turned off and you would need to sign a waiver for any chapter ride. It is appreciated that you double check your status.

A SHORT NOTE FROM THE ROCK WISCONSIN COMMITTEE

At the upcoming chapter meeting:

- You will be meet and be introduced to the committee members.
- You will have the first opportunity to sign up for the Lake Michigan Semi-Circle Tour.
- You can pick up an informational flyer for the Great Mississippi River ride.

TRAVEL TALES

Biker's Haiku

The open road calls.

Sights, smells, wind, beauty, freedom.

There's nothing like it.

Honor Celebration

SATURDAY

MAY 29TH, 2021

HONOR RIDE



8:30am-10am Registration
9am-10:00am Breakfast
9:30-10:30 Live Music - Opening Ceremony
11am Kickstands Up

\$10 per person.
Portion of Ride Registration Fees
donated to the Combat Vets.
All Veterans receive an event t-shirt.
All riders receive an event pin.

**RETURN TO THE DEALERSHIP FOR
MUSIC, FOOD, DRINK, VENDORS,
CAR SHOW, & MORE.
EVENT ENDS AT 3PM.**

CAR SHOW



CLASSIC CUSTOM 50'S 60'S 70'S CARS & TRUCKS HOT ROD RAT ROD

11:30AM LOAD-IN
2:30PM AWARDS
3:00PM EVENT ENDS

\$10 per registration.
Portion of Car Show Registration Fees
donated to the American Legion Post 91.
All Veterans receive an event t-shirt.
Car show entrants receive a custom
wood dash plaque.

**REGISTRATION FORMS
AVAILABLE AT THE DEALERSHIP OR
REGISTER ONLINE AT WISHD.COM**

*EWALD AUTO JEEP RIDES PROVIDED FOR HONOR RIDE
VETS WHO ARE UNABLE TO RIDE A MOTORCYCLE.*



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SATURDAY APRIL 24

JOIN US TO KICK OFF THE 2021 RIDING SEASON



Spring Thaw

MUSIC . FOOD . BEVERAGES

INSIDE THE DEALERSHIP FROM 10AM-2PM
MUSIC WITH THE KMC BAND
FOOD FROM TROOP CAFE

RIDES + BIKE NIGHTS

May

29th Honor Celebration 9am-3pm

June

9th Bike Night w/ Rebel Grace 6-9pm

12th Lettsew K9 Fundraiser & Ride ends at WIS H-D
Noon-3pm Live Music with Dave N' Andy

July

7th Bike Night w/ Cherry Pie 6-9pm

10th Burn Camp Ride ends at WIS H-D
Noon-3pm Live Music with Shelly Mack + the ReUnion

August

4th Bike Night w/ King Kong 6-9pm

7th Waukesha County Sheriff's K9 Ride ends at WID H-D
1pm-4pm Live music with Everlong

Watch your email for
Volunteer Opportunities



INTERESTED?

Email Leslie Smith
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