

**MAY
2023**



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Meeting:
May 12**



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COME RIDE WITH US

Director



Welcome to May... The old adage goes, *"April Showers bring May Flowers,"* so we should be in for some great sightseeing as we ride the roads this month.

We just had another great Overnighter Trip to the 5 Lakes Region. A great time was had by all and, as you can see by the photos, a lot of miles with smiles.

As we look to this month we have a lot of great things in store, including a Ride to the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris to see vintage Trains and Trolley Cars, some of which are still in operation. One of my favorites, the Chloe, was the train that ran in the backyard of Ward Kimball, one of the Imagineers of Early Walt Disney.

Saturday, May 20th is the May Ride and we will need all hands on deck to help support this great organization. Please take a moment to reach out to Victor and sign up for a volunteer spot or two. It will be a great day with lots of vendors, food, and supporting a great cause. Speaking of which, if you would like to be on TV, Saturday, May 6th at 6 AM, we will have a ride down to KUSI Studios where we will be On-Air to promote the May Ride with our friend, Clint August. Look for more information or let us know if you would like to join us.

The Activities Calendar is filled up through July. We have a lot more surprises in store for you, so make sure to keep your eyes peeled.

I know I keep saying it... but you guys are the best... There is nothing I look forward to more than riding with my HOG Family.



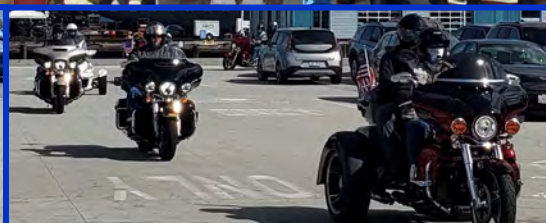
See you on the next ride!



Gene P "Tiki"

USS Midway Museum March 25, 2023

Special thanks to Rich & Jean B for making arrangements to share the Midway Museum with us, including the special "behind the scenes" tour.



What's Happening' at Biggs H-D



MAY



UPCOMING EVENTS BIGGS HARLEY-DAVIDSON

MAY 6

12 - 4
pm

**The
International
Female Ride Day**
Live music
Food, Vendors and more!



MAY 13

SATURDAY
PIZZA 12-TILL

GONE!

**Free Crew
Ride-N-Lunch**
GIANT 30 INCH PIZZA



MAY 20

8 am -
4 pm

Proceeds
benefit
Armed
Services
YMCA

**21st ANNUAL
MAY RIDE
& MILITARY
FAMILY
FESTIVAL**

Over 80 vendors | Largest Ride & Party in SoCal



MAY 27

BURGERS &
DOGS 12-TILL
GONE!

**Back Roads
BBQ**

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RIDE FREE LUNCH



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Military

Support for Military



Saturday, May 20
Biggs H-D

The 21st annual May Ride will be taking place this year on Saturday, May 20 at Biggs Harley-Davidson. This event consists of a poker run and plenty of activities at the after party at Biggs Harley-Davidson. By attending this event, you will be supporting the Armed Services YMCA.

The ASYMCA helps military families in many ways including, but not limited to: various types of counseling, food, therapy, various types of support for spouses and children of deployed military members, and after school programs for military kids. Please come out, enjoy the ride, and support the military through your participation!



I have been coordinating with the 1st Maintenance Battalion Deployment Readiness Officer in order to allow the Chapter to help support upcoming events for the battalion on Camp Pendleton. Also, I am currently coordinating through the next 1st Maintenance Battalion Motorcycle Mentorship President to allow the Biggs Road Guards to help conduct a training ride for the Marines in the 1st Maintenance Battalion. We have the green light; we are just waiting for the battalion to pick a date in June.



Please remember that we have Memorial Day coming up on May 29th. Regardless of how you choose to celebrate, please do not forget that it is a day intended to remember those who have died in service to our country.

David H

Bug Splat Ride and Picnic at Bates Nut Farm April 2, 2023



Safety

Practice, Practice, Practice



When I look back at my glory days in high school sports, I remember all that went into game day. The pep rallies, the pre-game meal, warming up on the field, making that special entrance to the field at game time, the game itself, and then going to eat pizza with friends after the game. The whole day was centered around being with my teammates and friends and doing something that we all loved. But in order to get to that game day we had to endure a lot of hours of practice.

I never enjoyed practice like I did the games. Practice seemed like an endless array of boring repetitive work. And the worst was the first few weeks on a new season. Going over the same minor techniques that I had learned years before. By my senior year I thought I had mastered these basic techniques. Which foot to step with first, how far to step, how many steps to follow up with, staying low when you take those steps. And we took those two or three steps over and over and over in a slower than playing speed so the coach could observe who was doing it correctly. I loved it once those first few weeks were over. I remember my first year in college I was so excited that on day one of practice we went right into lining up and running plays. No more step-by-step monotony. I said something to my coach about how glad I was we didn't have to work on those basics first and he said something that shocked me. He said "first, we expect you to already know these techniques and second we expect you to work on your own time to keep mastering them."

As motorcycle riders we have developed our own set of skills that enable us to operate our bikes or trikes in a fun, yet safe manner. Going on our group rides is game day. It's not just a ride, it's a time to be with friends and enjoy putting our skills to use. And often we end that ride with a post ride meal. There are a lot of individual skills we use on any given ride. But if you only put those skills to use when you are actually on a group ride you aren't going to sharpen those skills. Each of us know what things we need to work on. For some it might be better control at braking, for some it might be feeling more comfortable in the twisties, for some it might be better control at low-speed maneuvering around a parking lot, and for some it might just be better throttle control. But you probably know what you would like to be better at so you feel more comfortable doing it surrounded by other bikes. That means we should all be putting in some individual time working on those particular skills. Go out and practice braking in an empty parking lot. Go out and run through some twisty roads we've been on concentrating on your speed and position in the lane as you enter the turn, go through the turn, exit the turn and set up for the next turn. Then turn around and run it in the opposite direction. No matter how long you've been riding and how many miles you have on your bike, you still have things you can get better at.

Dave H



Ride to Milton's March 26, 2023

Road Captain



Demo Days

As most of you were aware, the Harley-Davidson truck was back at the dealership in the first part of April. If I remember correctly, there were about nineteen different bikes including one of the new trikes. Friday wasn't quite as busy as the last time the truck was here, but Saturday was non-stop. Once the first group got in, the second batch went out, and there was a round robin from then on until it shut down about 4 o'clock. Those of us who were there did what this Chapter always does: pitched in and helped set up the canopy and tables in the morning, manned the registration, and helped tear down at the end of the day.



It's a fun experience to ride other bikes. Not that I'm about to let go of mine, but I did get to try the trike in the parking lot. Didn't get yelled to "quit leaning". However, it did seem to want to pull to the left a bit until I realized, "Hey this thing has a parking brake. Maybe I should take it off parking mode." Amazingly enough, it then went straighter and not as jerky.

I want to thank all the Road Guards who were able to help out with the demo truck. Also, a big shout out to Andrew and Timmy who graciously volunteered to forgo the Chapter ride and help out with guiding the riders who were test riding the demo bikes.

One other big thank you is to Jona. She stopped by toward the end and helped pack the bikes back into the trailer and, as you can see by the photo, it's a two-story trailer.



Until next time,

Terry W "U-Turn"

Ride to Cars & Coffee at Kit Carson Park April 16, 2023



Ride to Salvation Mountain April 1, 2023



Chapter Meeting April 14, 2023



Membership

10 for 23 Destination Ride Challenge

Harley-Davidson encourages riders to get out and see the country. Each year, ten specific locations are picked for the *Destination Ride Challenge*. The goal is to visit all 10 destinations.



Rules for the *Destination Ride Challenge* include:

1. RIDE your Harley-Davidson motorcycle to one of the 10 featured locations.
2. SNAP A PICTURE of yourself at the check-In location with a current year Membership Guide or Ride Guide cover.
3. SUBMIT your Photo via [H-D.COM/HOG](https://www.harley-davidson.com/hog)
4. EARN digital badges and get rewarded for the ride with commemorative HOG 40th Anniversary Poker Chips and Challenge Coins.



Destination Ride Challenge Locations for 2023

- | | |
|--|------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Salvation Mountain | Calipatria, CA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> World's Smallest Police Station | Carrabelle, FL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad | Church Creek, MD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freedom Silo | Monett, MO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elvis Presley Homecoming Statue | Tupelo, MS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carhenge | Alliance, NE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prada of Marfa | Valentine, TX |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golden Spike National Historical Park | Corinne, UT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teapot Dome Service Station | Zillah, WA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intersection of Highways H, O & G | Globe, WI |

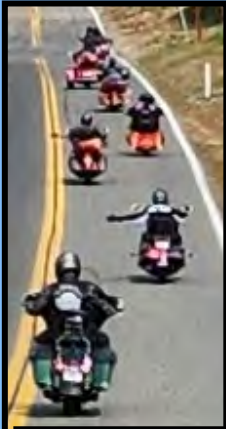
We all bought Harley-Davidson's to ride, so get out and explore this Great Country and see if you can complete the 10 for 23 *Destination Ride Challenge*!

David L "Taz"

Ride to Motte Museum Big Barn Classic April 22, 2023



5 Lakes / Big Bear Overnight Ride April 2023



Long Distance

Overnight & Long Distance Trips

5 Lakes / Big Bear Overnight Trip - In the Books!

We had a great 5 Lakes / Big Bear Overnight Trip this past month!! We had 27 people, 17 bikes, and two cars on the ride. After breakfast at Farm's House Restaurant, we headed "up the hill" to Lake Baldwin, Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Gregory, and Silverwood Lake, with stops in Lake Arrowhead Village and Death Valley Harley-Davidson. We enjoyed our group dinner at the Steer 'n Stein in Victorville and sharing stories about mountain adventures. Different groups chose a variety of rides home on Sunday.

"North Meets South" Rally Reno Long Distance Trip



**Thurs, June 1 - Sun, June 4
Optional 2-day return June 4 - 5**

The "North Meets South" Flyer at biggshog.com has the Bishop hotel info for the optional 2-day return. The "North Meets South Rally" is sold out. However, two Chapter members registered for the rally are unable to go. If you're interested in attending the rally, send an email to longdistance@biggshog.com and we will put you in touch with the members to make arrangements. Rally information is available at <http://northmeetssouth.info/>

Williams, AZ Long Distance Trip



**Fri, Sept 15 - Mon, Sept 18
NOW BOOKING!!!**

We're staying at the Grand Canyon Railway Hotel in Williams for three nights. On Saturday, September 16, there is the option to climb aboard a steam engine powered train for a ride to Grand Canyon National Park South Rim.

The Williams Flyer at biggshog.com has the phone number and discount code for booking your hotel and the optional train ride.



Monterey, CA Long Distance Trip Friday, August 4 - Monday, August 7

**Details
available soon**



Reagan Library Overnight Trip October (Dates TBD)

Note: Dates and locations are subject to change/adjustment.

Reminders: After you book your room for any of the Long Distance or Overnight Trips please send an email to longdistance@biggshog.com with your name, email address and phone number. If for some reason you can not go on a trip and you have booked your room, please email longdistance@biggshog.com before you cancel your room because we often have a limited number of rooms at the special price and we might have other members looking to book a room.

Save the Date: LOH Dinner Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Everyone is invited to the next *Ladies of Harley (LOH) dinner*

Cocina Del Carmen, 1350 E Vista Way #8, Vista, CA

There will be a Feather Pin Ride to the restaurant.



Getting to Know Our Biggs HOG Family

36 members completed March 2023 Survey

Congratulations to Ann J who won the gift card drawing.

A new survey opens on the 15th of each month throughout 2023.

We like to ride.....to lots of different locations!



Favorite Local Rides

26 Different Rides

36 Responses

3 members

- Moonlight Ride in Desert

2 members

- Bates Nut Farm (& Picnic)
- Borrego Springs
- Idyllwild
- Twist and Shout Ride
- In & thru the hills & mountains
- Anywhere along the coast & beach areas
- Couser Canyon / any back roads through citrus fields where you can smell the orange blossoms in bloom
- No favorite; all fun; my next ride! As long as I've got my knees in the breeze!

1 member

- Craftsman Museum
- De Luz
- Del Dios
- Fallbrook Pizza
- Julian
- Motorcycle Police Officers Competition
- Mount Solidad
- Mt Palomar
- Penfolds
- Races at Costa Mesa Speedway
- GAR
- To and thru Camp Pendleton
- Hwy 76 to Lake Henshaw to Santa Ysabel to Ramona to Hwy 78 home
- 78 to Julian, down Banner Grade into Ocotillo Wells and back
- Hwy 78 Ramona to Dudleys to Julian
- Mesa Grande Res, Julian via Wynola Rd
- Back country, up to Dudley's, then ride past the Hideout, stop at Lake Henshaw for lunch, then home around by Palomar Mountain and Harrah's Casino

Favorite Overnight Rides

16 Different Rides

35 Responses

8 members

- Yuma

5 members

- 5 Lakes / Big Bear

4 members

- Angeles Crest / Angeles Mountains
- TBD

3 members

- Joshua Tree

1 member

- Bluit Pass, Washington
- Carson City
- Riding up to Reno via the 395
- Reagan Library
- Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area
- Solvang
- Tombstone, AZ
- Utah
- Vegas
- Anywhere along the coast
- The next one coming up

Favorite Long Distance Rides

25 Different Rides

35 Responses

4 members

- Death Valley
- North Rim Grand Canyon / Utah / Winslow / Camp Verde / Palms to Pines

3 members

- Sonora / Mammoth / Yosemite

2 members

- Tombstone
- The next one

1 member

- Apache Junction, AZ
- Bay Area
- Big Bear to Victorville home
- Big Trees HOG Rally
- Cottonwood, AZ
- Durango, CO – Ride the Durango Silverton RR
- Lake Tahoe
- Monterey
- Monument Valley / Million Dollar Hwy
- Pacific coast to Monterey / San Francisco
- Reno
- Route 66 (Anywhere on it)
- Sturgis
- Through the Redwoods
- Utah Progressive
- Vegas
- When I rode from my childhood home in San Jose, CA, to my grandparents in Medford, OR, with my dad
- Anywhere along the coast
- TBD
- Never did one. Any ride on a two lane is better than the freeway.

Volunteers

All hands on deck for MAY RIDE, Saturday, May 20
Come out and have some fun!



We need help with the following:

- ☐ Bakers: bake goodies before the event & drop off the morning of the event.
- ☐ Set up 7:00 am - 8:00 am
- ☐ Registration (Pre Reg & On-Site Reg) 8:00 am - 10:30 am
- ☐ Collect Waivers 8:00 am - 9:30 am
- ☐ 1st Poker Draw 8:00 am - 10:30 am
- ☐ Parking control 8:00 am - 10:30 am, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
- ☐ Membership / LOH Bake Sale table 9:00 am - 11:30 am, 11:30 am - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- ☐ Trash Pickup during day 10:00 am - 12:30 pm, 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
- ☐ Poker Draw card collection 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
- ☐ End of day clean up 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
- ☐ Road Guards to lead rides



Please email me what you would like to sign up for and I will put you down.

Volunteers@BiggsHOG.com

Victor M

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May 2023



= Feather Pin Ride

WED 3 -- Officers Meeting

6:45 PM Virtual Meeting

SAT 6 -- Ride to Orange Empire Railway Museum

10:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on both Freeway and
Back Roads to Orange Empire Railway Museum
2201 S. A St. Perris, CA 92570

SUN 7 -- Ride to China Fun

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to China Fun
1450 E. Valley Parkway, Escondido, CA 92027

WED 10 -- Weekday Ride to Mariah's

9:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Mariah's
1691 Melrose Dr, San Marcos, CA 92078

FRI 12 -- Chapter Meeting

7:00 PM BIGGS H-D

Arrive early at 6 PM to socialize, sign up to volunteer.
Everyone is welcome.

SAT 13 -- Formation 101

8:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Come learn how we ride as a group. If you haven't
been in a while, come refresh your knowledge.
Coffee and doughnuts. Members receive a Rider Pin.

SAT 13 -- Get Acquainted Ride (GAR)

10:15 AM BIGGS H-D

After Formation 101, put your knowledge to work
during our most popular ride and then eat lunch with
your HOG family. Destination: Someplace to eat!

SUN 14 -- Ride to Mom's Apple Pie, Wynola

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Mom's Pie House
4510 CA-78, Julian, CA 92036

SAT 20 -- 21st Annual MAY RIDE

and Family Festival

9:00 AM BIGGS H-D

Proceeds benefit Armed Services YMCA's
programs for military members and families.

Registration: www.MayRide.com



SUN 21 -- Ride to Barona Casino Food Court

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to
Barona Casino Food Court
1932 Wildcat Canyon Rd, Lakeside, CA 92040

SAT 27 -- Ride to Mike's Red Tacos

10:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Mike's Red Tacos
4310 Genesee Ave, 104, San Diego, CA 92117

SUN 28 -- Ride to Lake Henshaw Cafe

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Lake Henshaw Cafe
26439 Hwy 76, Santa Ysabel, CA 92070

MON 29 -- Memorial Ride to Oak Hill Memorial Park & After Party at Burnside's. ***

7:45 AM STARBUCKS

Short distance on Back Roads to
Oak Hill Memorial Park
2640 Glenridge Rd, Escondido, CA 92027

*** Please RSVP to webmaster@biggshog.com
by May 25 if you will be attending the After Party
at the Burnside's.

TUES 30 -- Activities Meeting

6:45 PM Coyote Cafe

6 PM meal, 6:45 PM Meeting at Coyote Café
1450 North Santa Fe Ave, Vista, CA 92083
Everyone is welcome.

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Biggs HOG Chapter 2023 Rides Recap

January 1 - April 30

Type of Ride	Number	Total Days	Total Miles	Ave Miles Per Day
Local Feather Pin Rides	30	30	1,611	54
Overnight Trip Rides	2	4	837	209
2023 Total (Jan-April)	32	34	2,448	72

Mileage is "one way" from starting point to destination.

Miles not included in totals:

- * 5 Local Feather Pin Ride Rain Outs
- * 1 RGiT Eval Ride
- * Optional RARs (Ride After Ride)

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