JUNE 2023



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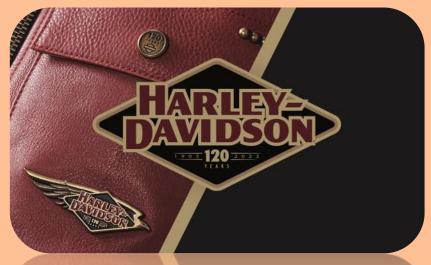
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DAY SERVICE CONTRACTOR

Director







"June is Bustin' Out All Over" is a song from the Rodgers and Hammerstein Musical, *Carousel*, where the New Englanders prepare for the big clam bake and the good times ahead.

Well, we are not preparing for a clam bake, but I can tell you that good times are definitely ahead.

We are on the Eve of our next long distance trip, where several members will head to Reno for the North Meets South Rally. We will put on a lot of "Miles with Smiles". We also have a lot of great local rides in store this month, to both some new places and some old familiar favorites.

I want to, again, take a moment to thank everyone who volunteered to help in any way with the May Ride. I just got off the phone with Clint and he can't express enough his gratitude to you for helping. Such a shining example of the Biggs HOG family coming together and delivering. THANK YOU!

Now, we just need to duplicate that same effort in July for our Poker Run. Please start spreading the word and encouraging everyone you know to join us Saturday July 29th.

As Director, it's my responsibility to keep the wheels turning (both literally and figuratively), but I can't do it without all the other members of the Chapter, officers and non-officers alike, who step up and bring to life the vision of the Chapter: "To Ride and Have Fun".

We have added several new members to the Biggs HOG Family in the last few months, and I encourage those new members to get involved in the Chapter. Ask where you can help out. If you have a talent that you think can benefit the Chapter, let us know. I can promise that you will enjoy the Chapter, the fellowship, and

camaraderie much more when you become more involved. And your June will be "Bustin' Out All Over!"





Gene P "Tiki"





What's Happening' at Biggs H-D



UPCOMING EVENTS BIGGS HARLEY-DAVIDSON



GONE

Free BBQ JUICY **BURGERS & DOGS** **WE WANT TO EARN YOUR**

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UNE 10-11

SATURDAY BBQ 12-TILL GONE!

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Meet 9:45 am **Biggs**

Pechanga & Biggs Burgers 12- till ?

Crew Ride



JUNE 24

11 - 4 pm

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Safety

Long Distance Riding Safety

We just completed our second Overnight Trip for 2023. Over the next few months, we have three more Long Distance Trips and another Overnight Trip so I think it is appropriate to talk about some things we should consider for Long Distance Riding Safety. This may be routine to our experienced long distance riders, but it will be good food for thought to any of our first time or less experienced long distance riders.



Eliminate all distractions/irritants

Key to your ability to fight off distractions and irritants is a well-prepared bike that is set up properly for the rider and passenger. Long-term comfort while underway is the true secret in how seasoned veterans can safely turn big mileage. Even minor aggravations (such as an uncomfortable seat) are magnified during a long distance ride, robbing you of precious energy in the form of stress.

Maintain a good mental attitude

If you have to ride in the rain, do you have a good quality rain suit? The same goes for excessive heat, do you have a cooling vest? Have you tried these on at home and done some test rides with them before you get into the situation where you are on the side of a road trying to figure them out? There are a host of other conditions that can put you in such a bad mental state that riding is no longer fun (if you are concentrating on being miserable, you are not concentrating on the road).

Learn how to avoid boredom

Long rides can mean riding across areas you might not consider prime riding spots. For times like this, your favorite music can prove invaluable. Do you have a way to listen to music? Many of the touring models have radios that can connect to your phone. There are also many wireless options to go inside your helmet. Although sometimes I have enjoyed just listening to my own thoughts as I ride. Some of the other tricks are singing out loud or stocking up your tank bag with a supply of tart candies. A sour lemon drop will shock your senses and keep you going another twenty miles.

Eat healthy food

Fast foods and a big road trip are a bad combination, but realizing that this is the real world, try these time-proven combinations: Mornings: stick to oatmeal, cereals or eggs with toast. Lunch: light snacks like nuts, jerky or an energy bar. Dinner: include a salad with a light pasta dish. If all else fails, "If you can't eat right at least try and eat light!" Consider having a freshly made Subway sandwich instead of that grease dripping Quarter-Pounder.

Carry more water than you think you'll need

You don't have to be riding in the desert to listen to this advice. Pushing a broken motorcycle a short distance to get it to a safe parking place can generate a thirst that cannot be described. Your water supply should be kept in two sources: One for casual drinking and the other packed away for true emergencies such as breakdowns. Once riders start carrying water, they will use it. If you drink your emergency supply away, then you will not have it for an emergency. Pack the emergency supply in an area that is inconvenient to get to and save it for when you really need it. Plan to buy water at stops instead of using your supply.

Join a towing service

Breakdowns happen and there is nothing like being stuck with no one to turn to for help. HOG Roadside Assistance Program (Road America) is an excellent example of what many of our Chapter members have used over the years. Some insurance companies and auto clubs have plans that will tow you out of trouble. Skip the insurance and you can spend hours burning up the phone looking for a tow company. Pay a little now or pay a lot later in the form of money and wasted trip time.

Safety Is No Accident

Dave H



Road Captain

"Riding a Motorcycle in Traffic"

Can you recall the last time you rode in traffic? How about heavy traffic; the cars, trucks and SUVs crowding you, cutting you off, drivers using cell phones, reading the newspaper or screaming kids in the back seat. Imagine yourself anticipating all these knuckleheads around you and you still have to read street signs, anticipate traffic lights, guess what that pedestrian is going to do, or how slippery that painted line might be.



Riding in traffic can be a nightmare, especially for new riders. Is it any wonder why so many motorcyclists are involved in accidents? We have to process a large amount of information to ride successfully in traffic.

"Doing it wrong can lead to disaster"

SWATCH DRIVER'S HEADS & MIRRORS

Take a look at their head movements through their windows and mirrors - it is an excellent way to anticipate lane changes.

COVER YOUR BRAKES

In traffic we must often react extra quickly, which means not fumbling for the brake lever or pedal. If possible, cover your brake lever.

GET NOTICED

Make sure drivers and pedestrians can see you, from a distance. Ride with your high beam on during the day and wear brightly colored or reflective gear. Personally, I ride with my passing lamps full time.

TRAFFIC SLOWING? STAY LEFT OR RIGHT

When traffic slows or comes to a stop, stay to the left or right of the car in front of you. This will give you an escape route if needed, with your bike in gear and your eyes on your mirrors. You just never know if the car behind you is going to stop.

66 LOOK AHEAD, FAR AHEAD

Scan your environment, front, behind, and both sides while riding, and don't forget your blind spots too...

SET LEFT-TURN HEADACHES

When approaching a vehicle about to turn left, be ready! Cover your brake lever. Watch the car's wheels or the driver's hands on the steering wheel; if you see any movement, be ready to brake or swerve.

SCAN THE ROAD SURFACES

Add road conditions to your scanning techniques. Be on the lookout for spilled oil, water or fuel; you will see it as a shiny surface. Also keep an eye out for loose gravel and/or sand, which is usually harder to see.

RIDE IN OPEN ZONES

On most highways there are always some gaps between groups of vehicles; look for these and ride in them.

NEVER GET BETWEEN A VEHICLE & OFF-RAMP

This is a simple way to avoid disaster, in fact it almost sounds too simple. Drivers who decide to exit at the last-minute wipe out plenty of riders each year.

HIDING OUT

This is a no brainer, and I'll bet most of you do it already! When entering intersections let the larger trucks or SUVs run interference or block for you. If someone is going to run a red light; better they hit them and not you, right? Also, for green lights, don't lunge through an intersection as soon as the light turns green. Be patient and use the vehicles next to you as cover. You can always make up speed after the far crosswalk.

BE DEFENSIVE!

Yes, motorcycles are involved in accidents, but they're also agile, light, and much more maneuverable; so, you might as well learn to use these to your advantage when things get ugly.

Note: This article was written by former Road Captain Jim W. years ago. It still applies today as it did back then. Maybe even more so with the increased population in San Diego County.

Terry W "U-Turn"

Membership

What Does Membership Involve?

Hello fellow Biggs HOG Members. The year is almost half over but we still have quite a bit scheduled for this year. Our HOG Chapter plans and executes over 130 rides a year to include the Long Distance and Overnight Rides. We also support many community events throughout the year.



As Members of the Biggs HOG Family, we come together to *Ride, Have Fun and Make New Friends*. But, we also come together, as Members, to support several community events throughout the year. So, *what does Membership involve?*

Participation - Our HOG Events would not happen without the "Participation" of our HOG Members. We need your help as volunteers to help keep these events happening now and in the future. You can volunteer a lot or a little, but whatever time you can volunteer helps in big ways.

Association - Our HOG Chapter has a close association with several local organizations. Your selfless support goes a long way in helping Biggs HOG support our local community.

Community - Our HOG Chapter hosts and participates in events in support of our local Community. It takes our members volunteering to help make these events happen. Again, any time you can give in support of these events goes a long way and is greatly appreciated.

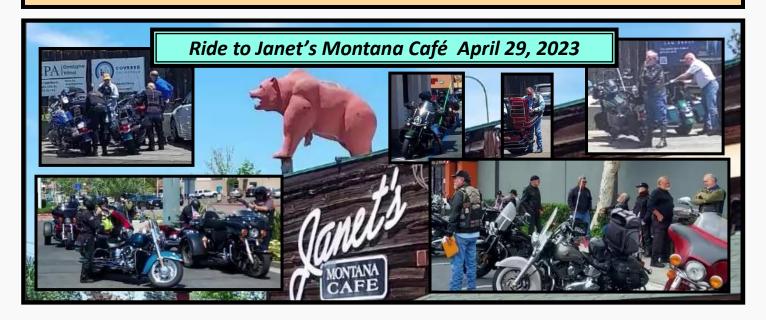
Group/Family - We are the Biggs Harley Owners Group, The Biggs HOG Family. Together, we gather to *Ride,*Have Fun and Make New Friends. We serve our community and each other in the process.

Without you, we wouldn't exist. We all have a part in making our Chapter the Great

Chapter it is.

So, we need your help. Any time you can give in support of our Chapter and the Community Events we support would be greatly appreciated. Who knows, you might even make *New Friends* to *Ride and have Fun* with!

David L "Taz"





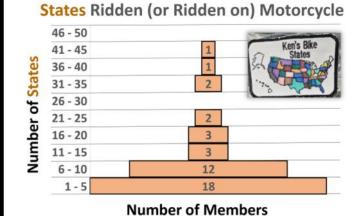


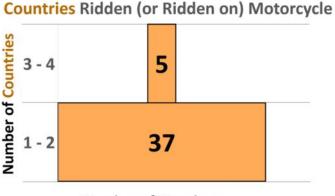
Getting to Know Our Biggs HOG Family 42 members completed April 2023 Survey

42 members completed April 2023 Survey
Congratulations to Andrew K-R who won the gift card drawing.
A new survey opens on the 15th of each month throughout 2023.



States and Countries





Long Distance

Overnight & Long Distance Trips

Yuma Overnight Trip ~ March 2023 ~ Memories!

5 Lakes / Big Bear Overnight Trip ~ April 2023 ~ Memories!

"North Meets South" Reno Long Distance Trip ~ June 1-5 ~ Making Memories!

California Coastal Long Distance Trip









Fri, Aug 4 - Mon, Aug 7
NOW BOOKING!!!

Friday: We'll ride to San Luis Obispo with stops at Ventura H-D, Solvang, & Santa Maria H-D.

Sat & Sun: Choose from rides to Monterey & Highway 1, Hearst Castle, Highway 1 Sightseeing,

Nacimiento/Fergusson Rd & Highway 1, Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes & Shell Beach, Pozo

Saloon, Santa Barbara, and more.

Monday: Scenic ride home

We're staying at the Hotel Buena Vista in San Luis Obispo for three nights. The CA Coastal Flyer at biggshog.com has the hotel room rates & booking details. To get the Biggs HOG special rates, you must book by Saturday, July 15, 2023.

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. On Sunday, we'll take an Arizona Scenic Ride.

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

Reagan Library
Overnight Trip



October (dates TBD)
Details available soon

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.

Ladies of Harley

LOH Dinner Wednesday, June 21, 2023

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

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 6:00 p.m.

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

There will be a Feather Pin Ride from Biggs H-D to the restaurant.







Volunteers

Thank you to all who helped with the May Ride!!!

Come by the Volunteer Table at the Chapter Meeting and sign up.

We have several opportunities to help. You can sign up to help Set Up and Take Down at the Chapter meetings each month.

Next opportunity to help: June 9th Chapter Meeting

Save the Date: Biggs HOG Poker Ride July 29th

We will need many hands to help make this event a success.



Remember this is our Chapter and when we all work together it will grow and thrive.

Volunteers@BiggsHOG.com





"Nothing liberates our greatness like the desire to help, the desire to serve."

- Marianne Williamson

Victor M

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June 2023

= Feather Pin Ride

THURS 1—SUN 4 / MON 5—North Meets South LDT 5:30 AM SHELL ESCONDIDO

SAT 3 -- Ride to Notorious Burgers

10:30 AM **BIGGS H-D**

Medium distance on Back Roads to Notorious Burgers 6955 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92009

WED 7 -- Officers Meeting

6:45 PM **Old California Mining Co** 5:45 PM meal; meeting starts at 6:45 PM

1020 W San Marcos Blvd #118, San Marcos, CA 92078

FRI 9 -- Chapter Meeting

7:00 PM **BIGGS H-D**

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

SAT 10 -- Formation 101

BIGGS H-D 8:30 AM

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 10 -- 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 11 -- Ride to March AFB Air Museum

9:00 AM **STARBUCKS**

Medium distance on Back Roads to March AFB Air

Museum

22550 Van Buren Blvd, March Air Reserve Base, CA

WED 14 -- Weekday Ride to San Diego Veterans

Museum

9:30 AM **BIGGS H-D**

Medium distance on both Back Roads and Freeway to Balboa Park, 2115 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101 SAT 17 -- Ride to Descanso Junction Restaurant

9:30 AM **BIGGS H-D**

Medium distance on Back Roads to

Descanso Junction Restaurant

8306 California Hwy 79, Descanso, CA 91916

SUN 18 -- Father's Day P to P Ride

10:00 AM **STARBUCKS**

Medium distance on Back Roads to Petersons Donuts 903 S. Escondido Blvd, Escondido, CA 92025 and to Pepper Tree Frosty, 270 S Santa Fe Ave, Vista, CA 92084

WED 21 -- Ride to LOH Dinner

6:00 PM **BIGGS H-D**

Very short distance. Ride ends at Cocina Del Carmen for Ladies of Harley Chapter Dinner.

WED 21 -- LOH Chapter Dinner & Meeting

6:00 PM **Cocina Del Carmen**

1350 E Vista Way Unit 8, Vista, CA 92084

Hosted by LOH Everyone is welcome.

SAT 24 -- Ride to Huckleberry's, Escondido

9:30 AM **BIGGS**

Medium distance on Back Roads to Huckleberry's

1260 Auto Park Way, Escondido, CA 92029

SUN 25 -- Ride to Mariscos Mar de Cortez

BIGGS H-D 11:30 AM

Medium distance on Back Roads to Mariscos Mar de

Cortez

109 10th St, Ramona, CA 92065

TUES 27 -- 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.

THURS 29—Road Guard Meeting This is Invite Only



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Biggs HOG Chapter 2023 Rides Recap January 1 - May 31

Type of Ride	Number	Total Days	Total Miles	Ave Miles Per Day
Local Feather Pin Rides	39	39	2,151	55
Overnight Trip Rides	2	4	837	209
2023 Total (Jan-May)	41	43	2,988	69

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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