

**OCTOBER
2023**



**Next
Chapter
Meeting:
October 13**



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COME RIDE WITH US

Director



Welcome to October and Happy Halloween!



Have you had your first sip of Pumkin Spiced anything yet? Yes, we are officially into the Fall season and we should have some cooler weather on tap. I can't believe that three quarters of the year is behind us... but I do know that there are still a lot of *"Miles with Smiles"* ahead.

We just wrapped up our Long Distance Trip to the Grand Canyon and you will see a lot of great photos in this issue. We have one more Overnight Trip in store to the Reagan Library in Simi Valley and I think that there is still space available. Rumors are already swirling about destinations for 2024.

We have a lot to look forward to this month locally: a Ride to the Police Motorcycle competition in Oceanside (I am already hearing the theme from CHiPs in my head), the All-Chapters Picnic Ride to Christmas Circle (and a Mom's Apple Pie *"Ride After the Ride"*), and the Full Moon Ride (a Howling Good Time).

Don't forget that we have our Chapter Meeting on Friday October 13th so be prepared for a frightfully good time.

Our *Holiday Party* will be in December so make sure that you save the date: *Saturday, December 9th*.

Please remember that we are still looking to fill positions to help the Chapter keep moving, so if you have a desire to serve, please reach out to me and let's talk.

Well, it's time to get ready to ride and have fun... I was thinking of stopping by a Starbucks, but I have to admit, personally I could care less about Pumpkin Spice season... I am waiting on Tamale Season to start... Yummmm!

See you on the next ride!!!!



Gene P "Tiki"

Ride to Milton's Del Mar August 26, 2023



Ride to Picnic at Leo Carrillo Park August 27, 2023



Ride to Pegah's September 3, 2023



What's Happening' at Biggs H-D



BIGGS HARLEY-DAVIDSON OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT. 7

**Trade-In
or
Trade-Up
Closeout
Event**

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11 AM - 2:30 PM

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CHILI TASTING**

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2nd Place - \$100 Gift Card
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MEET OUR LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS

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OCT. 21

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Oct. 21

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OCT. 28

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OCT. 28

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Road Captain

100 Ride Pin

Congratulations to Ken F on his 800th ride with the Chapter last month!



How We Ride

A small group of Chapter members once rode to Milwaukee. One of the best statements I heard from the group was the comment, "We ride the same to Milwaukee and back as we do at home." We sure do. It is a culture and one that is safe; and when you really look at it, it makes sense.

I have heard members of our Chapter talk about how we ride vs. a non-Biggs event or a ride that was advertised and sponsored by another group. It was fun and exciting until they started to ride. It was unorganized and they felt uncomfortable with people going everywhere in different directions. The comment was that they all felt safer with how we ride and that they didn't want to go on any non-Biggs Chapter events in the future. It was too unorganized. My compliments go to our Biggs HOG Road Guards, for it is the Road Guards who make the above statement happen. Thank you Road Guards!

Terry W "U-Turn"

Ride to OC Speedway Harley Night September 9, 2023



Double Peak Park Picnic Ride September 10, 2023



Safety

First Aid Kit

At the September Chapter meeting I went over what items should be included in a First Aid Kit that should be carried on a motorcycle. Here is that list.



Motorcycle First Aid Kit Minimum Essentials

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 Triangular Bandage | 1 Universal Bandage Pack: |
| 1 Mini Size Permanent Marker | 6 X Sterile Gauze Pad/Wound Pad |
| 2 Medical Tape | 5 Medium Knuckle Bandage |
| 1 Compression Tape | 5 Large Knuckle Bandage |
| 1 Pair of Latex Disposable Gloves | 5 Large Bandage |
| 1 Medical Scissors | 5 Medium Bandage |
| 1 Emergency Whistle | 10 Alcohol Pad |
| 1 Emergency Rescue Blanket | |
| 1 Antibiotic Ointment | |

Motorcycle First Aid Kit Extras



- 1 Windlass Military Tourniquet
- 1 Emergency Trauma Bandage (Pressure Dressing)
- 1 First Aid Manual
- 1 Instant Cold Pack
- Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Acetaminophen



Safety Is No Accident!

Dave H

Ride to All Chapters Horseshoe Tournament September 16, 2023



Membership

2024 Membership Renewals



Hello fellow Biggs HOG family members. I would like to introduce myself to everyone in our Biggs HOG Chapter. As some of you already know, my name is Shawn E, and I will be taking over the Membership Officer position from Taz in 2024. Taz is being considered for the Road Captain position in 2024, pending approval of the Road Guards, so let's all extend our best wishes to Taz as he pursues this new endeavor. Our current Road Captain, Terry Warner, has admirably served as Road Captain several times over the past 18 years. Let's take a moment to express our gratitude to Terry for his unwavering dedication to our Chapter.

Starting from October 1, 2023, we will be accepting 2024 Biggs HOG Chapter membership renewals. The *Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release* is available at biggshog.com/members or at the membership table at the Chapter Meeting. Annual dues are \$25 per member. It is crucial to note that you must *physically sign* the Membership Enrollment Form and Release (Waiver) you submit *with a date no earlier than January 1, 2024*. National HOG does not allow us to accept copies, emails, or facsimile transmissions of this document. Please also ensure your handwriting is legible on the form so we can efficiently transfer your information into our Chapter management software. If you encounter any difficulties with the renewal process, don't hesitate to reach out to Taz or me for assistance.

Our target is to have all members complete their renewals by January 31, 2024. Those who miss this deadline will eventually lose access to the Biggs HOG Private Facebook page and the Chapter e-blasts. They will also need to sign waivers for each ride until they renew. Non-member guests are always welcome to join us on our Chapter rides. All they need to do is sign the appropriate waiver paperwork at the ride brief.

Additionally, we are seeking dedicated Chapter members to become ambassadors, helping with new member orientations and introductions during Chapter meetings. This initiative reflects our commitment at Biggs HOG to create a welcoming environment for new members. If you're interested, please stop by the membership table at the next Chapter Meeting or send Taz or me an email.

Don't forget to stop by the Biggs Service Department and have your mileage recorded so you can earn those Harley gift cards and your National HOG mileage milestone patches. I spoke with a National HOG customer service member, and they recommended that you record your mileage at least twice per calendar year. They recommend recording your mileage on the first day possible in the new year and, minimally, having it recorded again as close to the last day of the year as possible. This will prevent you from losing any miles earned for that calendar year. Only the Biggs Service Department is authorized to record your mileage for submission to National HOG. Again, see Taz or me for more information if you need it.

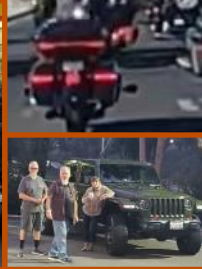
LET'S RIDE!!!

Shawn E

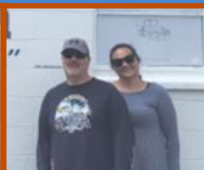


David L "Taz"

Grand Canyon / Williams, AZ Long Distance Trip September 15-18, 2023



Saturday: Most chose to board the historic Grand Canyon Railway train pulled by a vintage steam locomotive for a ride to and from the Grand Canyon.



Grand Canyon / Williams, AZ Long Distance Trip September 15-18, 2023



GRAND CANYON
SEPTEMBER 2023

33 Friends
1 Puppy
15 Bikes
10 two-wheelers
4 three-wheelers
1 five-wheeler
7 Cars
7 four-wheelers
4 Days, 3 nights
1,306 Miles with Smiles



Sunday: Groups chose from rides to Prescott, Jerome, Tuzigoot National Monument, Montezuma Castle National Monument, Sedona, Petrified Forest National Park, Winslow, and Williams.



Historian

Oh, The Places You'll Go



Syd and I recently returned from our third and final Long Distance Tour of the year, which is the fifth of six total Overnight/Long Distance trips for 2023. Planning and executing one of these events takes a tremendous amount of time and effort, and all the people who served as Long Distance Coordinators over the years deserve our unending gratitude. Without them, our LDT motto couldn't be "Miles with Smiles".

So, where have the Biggs HOG LDT Coordinators taken us over the years? We try to keep our Long Distance Trips to around 500 miles from home (and our overnight trips less than that). We also are constrained by geography: we certainly can't travel west 500 miles. I've seen motorcycles and trikes pretty tricked out, but none with an amphibious option. Nor are we able to go south into Mexico under our Biggs HOG banner. That leaves us an arc that runs approximately from Santa Rosa to the north, then eastward through Reno to about Elko, NV, then into Utah to include Bryce Canyon, Zion and Capitol Reef National Parks. Most of Arizona falls within that 500 mile outer limit, ending with Tombstone to our east. You would assume that because of our location, we are at a disadvantage compared to other Chapters (in the Midwest for example) which can travel 500 miles in any direction. But over the years, our amazing Chapter members find new and exciting places to go and things to see.

Over the last decade we've visited Cottonwood, Sedona, Tombstone, Tucson, Williams (Grand Canyon), and Yuma in Arizona. Our most recent Biggs HOG LDT was to Williams AZ – see our adventures elsewhere in this issue.

We've seen Lassen Volcanic National Park, Oxnard, San Luis Obispo, Yosemite, Death Valley, Palm Springs, and Sonora in California. In 2012, the trip to Yosemite included joining up with the California State HOG Rally. In 2022, our Chapter participated in the California Big Trees National HOG Rally, a 9-day event beginning on May 30th and ending on June 8th, leaving from Escondido, traveling first to Bakersfield, then to Eureka before heading home.

Exploring Nevada included trips to Carson City, Las Vegas, Laughlin, and Reno. The latter was most recently part of the 14th annual North Meets South event, a rotating tour where Harley Chapters from Northern Washington to San Diego meet for a weekend of adventures.

Some of our Utah journeys over the years include the Utah Progressive, travels to Zion/Bryce Canyons, and Syd and my first Biggs HOG LDT to Kanab/North Rim. The Utah Progressive in 2016 was a 6-day tour from Escondido to St. George UT, to Torrey (Capitol Reef) UT, and finally Cottonwood AZ, before heading for home.

These are just a sample of the LDTs and Overnights throughout the years. Each one is unique, but all leave you with wonderful memories, new friends, and an appreciation for the Biggs HOG family. If you've been with us in the past, I hope this ride down memory lane brings back fond memories. If you're new to our family, I hope this whets your appetite for future trips. To finish Dr. Seuss' quote, "You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own and you know what you know, and YOU are the one who'll decide where to go."

Mark B "The General"

Long Distance

Overnight & Long Distance Trips



Yuma Overnight Trip March 2023



**"North Meets South" Rally Reno
Long Distance Trip June 2023**



**5 Lakes / Big Bear Overnight Trip
April 2023**



**California Coastal
Long Distance Trip August 2023**



**Grand Canyon / Williams, AZ
Long Distance Trip September 2023**

Reagan Library Overnight Trip



**Sat, Oct 21 - Sun, Oct 22
NOW BOOKING!!!**

We'll ride to the Reagan Library and Museum on Saturday morning, spend the day there, ride to the hotel, and then have a group dinner at a restaurant near the hotel. We'll ride home on Sunday.

The Reagan Library Flyer at biggshog.com has the information and phone number for booking your hotel. The hotel group rate deadline was September 28; rooms may still be available at the rack rate.

Reminders: After you book your room, 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.

Chapter Meeting September 8, 2023



Getting to Know Our Biggs HOG Family

39 members completed the August 2023 Survey

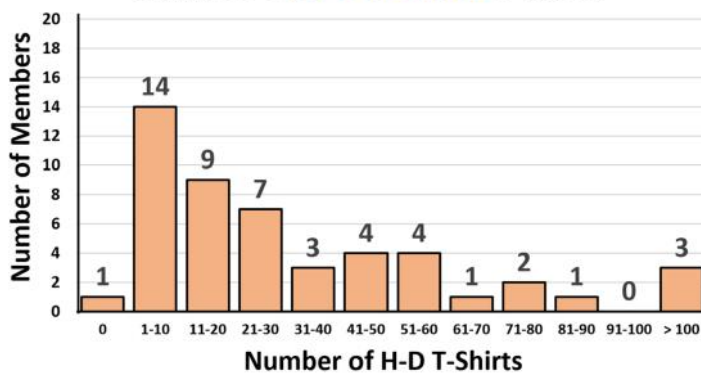
Congratulations to Alan F who won the gift card drawing.

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

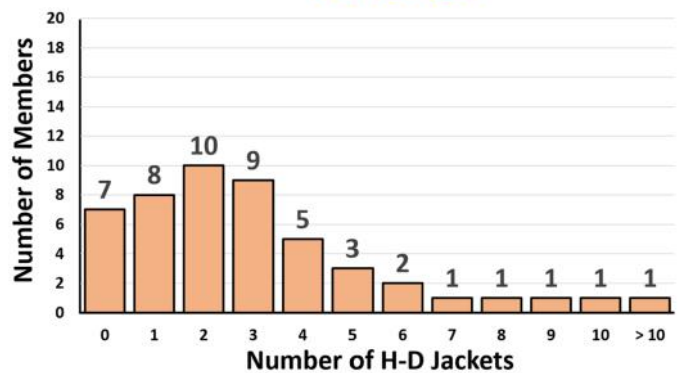
H-D T-Shirts and H-D Jackets Owned



Number of **H-D T-Shirts** Owned



Number of **H-D Jackets** Owned



Volunteers



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.

Remaining opportunities to help for 2023:

- ☐ Need Help with the Holiday Party: Planning, Setup, Teardown
- ☐ Chapter Meeting: October 13th
- ☐ Chapter Meeting: November 10th

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



Volunteers@BiggsHOG.com

Victor M

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HOGTIVITIES



October 2023



= Feather Pin Ride

SUN 1 -- Ride to Eureka!

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Eureka!

6021 Innovation Way, Carlsbad, CA 92009

WED 4 -- Officers Meeting

6:45 PM Rancho Grande El Toro

5:45 PM meal; meeting starts at 6:45 PM

825 Williamston St, Vista, CA 92804

SAT 7 -- Ride to Chicken Lisa's

9:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Long distance on Back Roads to Chicken Lisa's

555 W Country Club Ln E, Escondido, CA 92026

SUN 8 -- Ride to Village Kitchen & Pie Shoppe

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Short distance on Back Roads to Village Kitchen & Pie Shoppe, 950 Tamarack Ave, Carlsbad, CA 92008

FRI 13 -- Chapter Meeting

7:00 PM BIGGS H-D

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

SAT 14 -- Ride to the All Chapters Picnic

8:00 AM STARBUCKS

Long distance on Back Roads to the All Chapters Picnic, 600 Christmas Circle Drive, Borrego Springs, CA 92004

SUN 15 -- 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

SAT 21 -- Ride to Oui Pancake N Eggs

9:00 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Oui Pancake N Eggs

40408 Winchester Rd, Temecula, CA 92591

SAT 21 - SUN 22 -- Reagan Library Overnight Trip

TBD TBD

TUES 24 -- Activities Meeting - Everyone is welcome.

6:45 PM Coyote Cafe

6 PM meal, 6:45 PM Meeting at Coyote Café

1450 North Santa Fe Ave, Vista, CA 92083

THURS 26 -- Road Guard Meeting

This is invite only.

SAT 28 -- Full Moon Ride!

2:00 PM BIGGS H-D

Long distance on Mixed Roads to Golden Acorn Casino

1800 Golden Acorn Way, Campo, CA 91906

SUN 29 -- Ride to Copper Kings Burgers

11:30 AM BIGGS H-D

Medium distance on Back Roads to Copper Kings Burgers, 3830 Oceanside Dr, Oceanside, CA 92056



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Biggs HOG Chapter 2023 Rides Recap

January 1 - September 30

Type of Ride	Number	Total Days	Total Miles	Ave Miles Per Day
Local Feather Pin Rides	70	70	3,642	52
Overnight Trip Rides	2	4	837	209
Long Distance Rides	3	13	3,685	283
2023 Total (Jan-Sept)	75	87	8,164	94

Local Feather Pin Rides mileage is "one way" from starting point to destination.

Miles not included in totals:

- * 9 Local Feather Pin Ride Rain Outs
- * 4 Canceled Rides
- * 1 RGiT Eval Ride
- * Optional RARs (Ride After Ride)

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