

News of the Wellington HOG Chapter #9066 Sponsored by Wellington Motorcycles

BEARTOOTH PASS WITH THE FARGO CHAPTER

The draw for a couple to join with the Fargo Chapter on their annual ride to Beartooth Pass across North Dakota and into Montana and Wyoming will be held on club night in February.

This is an excellent trip for anyone wanting to experience riding in the home of Harley with a great bunch of guys (and girls)

To enter and/or get more information on this trip please call me (Terry) on 479 0450.



Chapter Ride into Christchurch

We want to all meet up with any other Wellington chapter members just north of Christchurch on Friday the 19th so that we can ride into the venue as a group. If you are not with the large group that are on the 8.30am ferry (Friday) could you please let Lucy know your itinerary so that we can get this organised.

Having mentioned the ferry, don't forget to bring your tie downs to secure your pride and joy during the crossing!



First things first, Happy New Year to all our members. I hope you had a good break, caught up with family and got lots of presents. Harley riders are easy to buy for. The last ride for the year before Christmas was a gentle rumble around the bays and lunch at the Pavilion. It was a nice small group and the weather held out for us.

The important business for the month is the new venue. We had a bit of a trial run on the 13th of January. There was a good turn out and on the whole quite a positive vibe. I've received some feedback about the access and parking being a problem but on the positive side the food was good and the drinks were cheap. Just to give you a bit of background about how we got to where we are, a few months ago we (the committee) launched into an investigation on venue options. We started this process because we had a few niggles with the current venue. Some of the options considered were the Mana Cruising Club, the Cambridge Hotel, Mac's Bar and the Johnsonville Club. We considered location, food and drink prices, suitability of the venue sound system, privacy and the general feeling of the venue. On this basis we narrowed the options down to the one presented to you all as the Johnsonville Club.

A couple of things have happened, one is you've had an opportunity to try it out the Club and secondly we've had an opportunity to meet with the **new owner** of the Chicago Bar. The Chicago Bar are promising to lift their service level and show some basic good manners, they've installed a much improved sound system, they are also offering \$5 tap beer, house wine and house bubbles and they've introduced a stone grill menu with an introductory offer of two for one stone grill meals if we stay. They are discussing the car parking with the Waterfront Committee and are hoping to secure discounted car parking around Loaded Hog which we would have access to (this is still in the discussion phase).

At the bottom of the page is a tear off slip asking your view of the Johnsonville Club parking, access, food and drink and general atmosphere? You can also say if you'd be happy to move or would prefer to stay with the Chicago Bar. We're still going to have the February meeting in Johnsonville so we can get as many members along as possible but this is by no means a foregone conclusion. We'll come back to you as soon as we can with the results of the feedback and the final decision.

Ride and have fun.

Lucy

VENUE FEEDBACK

Please circle either YES or NO

Parking: was parking difficult for you.....YES.....NO

Did you have difficulty finding the venue.....YES.....NO

Was the menu acceptable (range, prices etc).....YES.....NO

General Atmosphere. Were you happy with the layout etc.....YES.....NO

Would you prefer to stay at the CHICAGO BAR.....YES.....NO

Please mail this back to us in the enclosed envelope by 15th February

Name in full..... Signed.....

This survey is for financial members only Membership No.....



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April/May
2010

MEMPHIS and The Big Easy

July/Aug
2010

STURGIS 2010 and the best of the West



Hire or Ride your own bike



Riding your bike

37 days from \$13,250* per couple

Hiring a late model Harley Davidson

37 days from \$16,500* per couple

Price includes:

**Bike Hire or Shipping, Airfares, Luggage van,
Excellent accommodation, Experienced guides**

No tenting, long drops or tepid showers!

* Conditions apply



If keen on finding out a bit more send me an email. Space is limited and interest is high.

Enquires — Email Ken O'Leary
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Assistant Directors Ride

This year the Assistant Directors ride will be at Labour weekend instead of the usual time of Queens Birthday. This is because Primary Officer Training is taking place in Australia and the committee is expected to attend. There are other plans afoot for the QBW that Klink and DJ have offered to organise. This will be an overnighter. Details will be in the next issue of the newsletter (April-May).

American Car and Bike Day

American Car day, Trentham racecourse Sunday the 7th of February starting at 9am Wellington Hog will be displaying their bikes so shine your pride and joy up and come along for the day and enjoy the fun.

There will be prizes in 5 categories: Best Big Block, Best V Rod/Buell, Best Sportser, Best Paint and Best Chopper/Customised.

Entry is free for all Harley riders, look for the Wellington Hog Tent where you will be able to leave your gear for the day.

Please note on arrival you will be directed to an area to park your bike according to type of model and you will require your membership card.

This is going to be a great day so lets see the club get behind and have many there as we can.

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CALENDAR

February

Wednesday 3rd Club Night from 6.00pm
at the Johnsonville Club
Sunday 7th Show and Shine at Trentham
ride leaves WMCC at 10am
Friday 19th - Sat 20th Nationals in ChCh.

March

Wednesday 3rd Club Night from 6.00pm
venue TBC
Sunday 14th Club Ride
Sunday 28th Salesman ride and Poker Run
see back page and below.

April

Sunday 4th Rain Day for Poker Run etc.
Wednesday 7th Club Night from 6.00pm
venue TBC
Sunday 18th Club Ride

Coming Up
May: Cold Duck Rally
June: Queens Birthday Ride

CHAPTER GAMES 2010 National Rally

The proposed Chapter Challenge venue is a tranquil reserve at the entrance to Riccarton Race Course.

The events for the 2010 Chapter Challenges (as listed below) will start at 2pm sharp on Saturday and run in conjunction with the "Ride Forever" Slowest Rider Competition.

If possible we would like Chapter Directors to contact Gary Counihan by email (gasue@xtra.co.nz) on or before 8pm Thursday the 18th of February 2010 with the names of each competitor representing their chapter for each event.

Each chapter is limited to one team/competitor per challenge. A competitor may compete in more than just one event.

To help spectators easily identify the competitors chapter, we would like competitors to be wearing coloured tops which are representative of their province (possible examples; Auckland/Dark Blue, Hamilton/Orange, P/North/Yellow, Wellington/black, Canterbury/Red, Dunedin/Light Blue). Extra bonus points will be awarded to teams that wear the same coloured tops.

CHAPTER CHALLENGES:

1, BALL DROP

A bike event, consisting of one bike & two competitors from the same chapter.

2, BALLOON TOSS

A bike event, consisting of one bike & two competitors from the same chapter.

3, FANCY DRESS RELAY(Limited to one team per chapter).

A non bike event, consisting of four competitors (from the same chapter). Each team must include at least one female and teams must remain unchanged for the duration of the Fancy Dress Relay competition.

4, BARREL RACE

A bike event, consisting of one bike & one competitor.

5, SAUSAGE on a STRING

A bike event, consisting of one bike & two competitors from the same chapter.

SHOW 'n' SHINE first two place getters in each class will receive points 1st = 25 points and 2nd = 15 points

Yo Ho Ho, are you ready for the Pirates Poker Run?



On 28th March in conjunction with the Wellington Motorcycles Salesman's Shout and Ride, we will be having our poker run. This years theme is Buccaneers so come dressed as a pirate (or a pirates) and maybe you just might win a prize. Those who fancy themselves as Johnny Depp lookalikes will be able dress up and possibly wear their partners (or their own) makeup!! First card will be dealt at WMCC and there will be three other cards dealt on the way with the final card dealt at the destination. The hands will cost \$20 each and a patch is included in this.

Arrr me hearty, thats a fine parrot ye have!

Don't forget, from 9.00am Sunday 28th March be there





Wellington Motorcycles Salesman's

Ride and Shout *incorporating*

Wellington HOG



"Pirate Poker Run"



Great Prizes

(best dressed best hand etc)

This is an event not to be missed!

Sunday March 28th

Ride & Poker Run will take approximately 3 hours with
Lunch and refreshments at approximately 2pm
Return to Wgtn after lunch as you wish.
(about 2hr ride to Wellington)

Meet at Wellington Motorcycles from 9.00am to be
dealt your poker hand with departure at 10.00am.

Poker Hands \$20

RAIN DAY FOLLOWING W/END 4th April

For more information call Geoff 801 8891, Terry 479 0450 or WMCC Sales 3844149