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

Welcome to 2011

Hi everyone, hope you all have had a great holiday break and that the New Year has started well for you. We have certainly had some fantastic weather and so I hope that you have managed to get on the bike and get some riding in. Nothing better!

Not long to go before the Nationals in Raglan and I for one am really looking forward to the ride up. We plan to go up through Forgotten Highway which is always spectacular and then on up to Hamilton. The Director's ride leaves Hamilton on the Sunday and travels up to Kerikeri where we will stay for a couple of days, then on to Kaitia and then back down to Whangarei, through the Coromandel, down to Rotorua and then over to Napier and back home. Some great riding in there and some amazing scenery! For those travelling up to the Nationals then we will be leaving the shop at 10.30am on Thursday 17th.

The Fargo couple that won the trip this year are only staying for a week and so will not be taking part in the Director's Ride but Lynne (our chapter secretary) has come to the rescue and will accompany them back from the Nationals on an interesting ride that she has organised. Thanks for that Lynne!

We have had a request from the HOG executive in Australia (Kim Williams) for all Australian and New Zealand Chapters to donate \$500 to the Queensland Flood relief with HOG Australia matching all donations dollar for dollar. We feel that this is a worthy cause having seen the devastation nightly on our TV screens and are sure that our membership will support us in this.

New Rules of Society have been sent to our sponsoring dealer (Wellington Motorcycles) These new rules have come about to protect the Chapter Officers, Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Members. These will be posted on our website for you all to see and comment on. These are not a great deal different from the rules that are in place at the moment, they have just been updated and adapted for all Australian and New Zealand Chapters and make sure that all chapters are operating the same way.

If you are down at the shop then apart from the Deluxe Cafe next door which is great I've also discovered a great cafe only across the road in Courtenay Place. Sweet Mother's does delicious coffee and some great meals and all at a really reasonable price. Try their Gumbo, its delicious!

Looking forward to catching up with you at the first meeting of the year on Wednesday 2nd February.

Ride safely
Terry
Assistant Director



Been in the chapter for 10 years or more? If you have and you want a 10 year member patch please phone Terry 04 234 6141 and put in your order
The patch costs \$5 and is about 7cm high

A Request from the Johnsonville Club

The Johnsonville Club where we have our monthly meetings has asked if we could keep down at the restaurant end to eat and drink and hold the meeting. They have said that this will be for our use only and any other members of the club (non chapter) will socialise at the other end.

LADIES OF HARLEY GARAGE PARTY



Wellington Motorcycles are holding another garage party for you Ladies of Harley. Make a note of the date Wednesday 9th March from 6.30pm



Ladies! want somewhere to park the old man while you tinker with your Harley? Just go to the above!

WANNA GO TO FARGO?

Well Ron and Jean Tieman do as they won the trip to Fargo at our chapters Christmas party!

Don't forget that we have Fargo's winning couple plus last years winners (Pat and Paul Borgen,) who enjoyed themselves so much they decided to come back!

DIRECTORS REPORT

I sit down to write this and I always feel like starting with a comment about the weather and then I worry that it seems rather unoriginal, however, our Harley riding lives revolve around the weather so it's important. The summer holidays have been full of sunny warm days and plenty of opportunities to get out on the bikes, even if it's just to cruise Oriental Parade and hoon around the bays, lookout all you cyclists! Hopefully the rest of summer will be the same.

As usual there's loads of events over the next three or four months most notably the national rally in Raglan. I'm from the Waikato and I've spent many summer days on the black sand beach at Raglan, it's a quirky and totally kiwi spot and the rally is going to be great. I look forward to the group ride up there and the ride around the north island afterwards. It's always great to arrive at the rally as a group so we'll talk about where we meet and how we do that at the next club meeting on the 2nd of February.

Other events include the March hare, the salesmen's ride and shout, the mussel festival, the cold duck as well as the usual club rides. Check out the calendar on the website for details and if you've got something you'd like us to do drop us a line, you can find all our contact details on the web as well.

Thanks to the team for organizing the Christmas do, it was another successful party with some rather interesting outfits. My favourite was Geoff dressed in his original motorcycle cop outfit. Somehow I feel that you were made for that job Geoff!!! It's always good to see the creative side of people and the not so creative (Terry). Terry's son tells me that he spent most of the 60's and 70's with no shirt on, thankfully he wore one to our party.

Anyway ... I'm looking forward to the summer of riding, keep safe, ride and have fun.

Lucy

Ride the Summit 2010 at National Park



2010's Ride the Summit at National Park was another great success! These guys have really got their act together and are hosting one of the best weekends away. For less than \$200 (can't remember the cost!) you get a meal on Friday and Saturday nights plus lunch on Saturday and a goodie bag with TShirt, patch, beer glass etc The organised ride takes in some wonderful scenery and we stopped at a little race track where some local guys put on some motorcycle and go cart displays. The weather was a bonus too!

A fifteen year old Amish boy and his father were in a mall. They were amazed by almost everything they saw, but especially by two shiny, silver walls that could move apart and then slide back together again.

The boy asked, 'What is this Father?' The father responded, 'Son, I have never seen anything like this in my life, I don't know what it is.'

While the boy and his father were watching with amazement, a fat old lady in a wheel chair moved up to the moving walls and pressed a button. The walls opened, and the lady rolled between them into a small room.

The walls closed, and the boy and his father watched the small numbers above the walls light up sequentially..

They continued to watch until it reached the last number, and then the numbers began to light in the reverse order.

Finally the walls opened up again and a gorgeous 24-year-old blonde stepped out. The father, not taking his eyes off the young woman, said quietly to his son,

'Go get your Mother.'



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Monthly Happenings

Club night is held on the first Wednesday of the month at the Johnsonville Club (1 Norman Lane off Johnsonville Rd) except January

Monthly club rides are held on the third Sunday of the month, details are on the website as they come to hand.

No club ride in January instead there will be

Club Family Picnic Day Sunday the 23th January Otaihanga Domain with Hot Rod clubs from 11am.

Ride will be leaving Wellington motorcycles at 10am to travel up. So come along for a afternoon of fun and games.

One Night Stand Saturday 5th February Bay MC Club.

This is an overnigher with music, drink and food so bring a tent for an excellent night out.

Diesel will be leaving Plimmerton Weigh Station at 9:am with pick up at Waikane at 9:30am

Details here

<http://www.kiwiclubs.com/articles/hastings/bay-mc-one-night-stand-motorcycle-rally-2011.html>

American Car Day Trentham 6th February from 9am.

There will be a show and shine competition for all Club members with 5 prize Categories: Best Big Block, Best V Rod/Buell, Best Sportser, Best paint and Best Chopped/Customised.

Entry is free for all Harley Riders and please note on arrival you will be directed to an area to park your bike according to type of model, please have your membership card with you.

So shine up your pride and joy and come along for the day and enjoy the fun.

Club Ride Sunday the 20th of February

For those not attending the nationals there will be a ride leaving Wellington Motorcycles at 9:30 am heading up to Foxton area for quick Lunch

Ride will be approx 2 1/2 hrs long and will be taken by Diesel

Non Chapter events that you may be interested in going to

MAGOG MC

Easter weekend 22 - 24th April 2011

Check out their website www.nationalmotorcycleexpo.co.nz.

From the merchandise shop. Buy online or see Tana on club nights.



Large back patch \$30
Small arm/ vest patch \$20



Wellington chapter patch
\$10



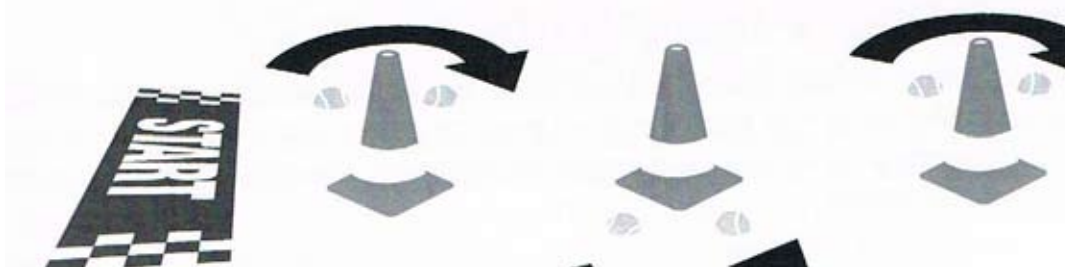
T-Shirt \$45 Back view
with chapter patch on
sleeve

Lots more available, pins patches ladies TShirts etc. etc.

2011 Raglan Rally

Chapter Games

- 1. Slow Ride:** Individual rider representing their Chapter. (One race only) Winner receives a trophy and the Chapter will receive points towards the Chapter Challenge Trophy. Points given for first (30), second (20) and third (10)
Each rider will draw a lane by ballot which is approximately 50 metres in length. The slowest rider to complete the ride will win the game. If the rider places a foot on the ground or runs over the border line they are to stop where they are, turn their bike off and remain stationary until the game is considered finished by the judge. There will be a marksman at the end of each lane who will put his/her hand up if the contestant has stopped in their respective lane. (This will allow each rider know who is still in the competition) First, second and third place riders will be given a card to present to the games tent for recording.
- 2. Flounder Gathering:** Rider and pillion representing their Chapter. (One race only). Winner (Rider and pillion receive a trophy each and the Chapter will receive points towards the Chapter Challenge Trophy. Points given for first (30), second (20) and third (10)
Each rider will draw a lane by ballot which is approximately 50 metres in length. The pillion rider will be given a welding rod approximately one metre in length.
The purpose of the game is to spear and collect as many cardboard cut out flounder shaped fish that will be placed on the ground within your lane as you can. Riders are not permitted to place their feet on the ground or run over the border line. If the rider places his/her feet on the ground or runs over the border line they are to stop where they are, turn off their bike and remain stationary until the game is considered finished by the judge. There will be marksman at the end of each lane who will put his/her hand up if the contestant has stopped in their respective lane. (This will allow each rider know who is still in the competition)
The size of the flounders will vary, with each size having different point value. (The smaller the fish, the bigger the points) The quantity of fish and point values will be evenly spread out in each lane.
Pillion riders will present their catch to the games tent on completion of the ride, for the collation of points. The game will be timed in case riders collect equal amounts of fish, in this case the fastest run will receive first place, second best time second place etc.
- 3. Ring toss slalom style with ball drop on the return trip:** Rider and pillion representing their Chapter. (One race only) Winner (Rider and Pillion) will receive a trophy each and the Chapter will receive points towards the Chapter Challenge Trophy. Points given for first (30), second (20) and third (10)
Rider with pillion will be timed riding slalom style around five cones and half cut tennis balls. As the bike passes each cone the pillion will attempt to throw a quoit over the cone and in doing so will receive 10 points per successful placement. On their return the pillion will attempt to place a tennis ball on each cone (5) where they will receive 10 points per successful placement.
Fastest time will be allocated 60 points, reducing down to 10 points for the slowest time. (Distance between cones for the slalom will be 6 metres apart with 2 tennis ball halves 1.5 metres from each cone, .5 metres apart. The return cones (5) for the ball placement will at 4 metres apart in a straight line.
Each Chapter contestants will run this race individually and will have one life. If the rider places his/her feet on the ground more than once they will be stopped. (Riders feet must be placed back on the bikes pegs a.s.a.p. otherwise you will be disqualified) If the rider is stopped by the judge after using their 1 life they are to remain stationary. The judge will collate the number of successful quoits and tennis ball placements for points.
Points for time will be allocated from the finish line backwards if there is more than one rider/pillion being stopped.



- 4.)** The team must be a combination of both male and female contestants, a mix of your choice. Winners receive a trophy each and the Chapter will receive points towards the Chapter Challenge Trophy. Points **WAKA race:** Three person team who will represent their Chapter. (One race only) given for first (30), second (20) and third (10)
Six cardboard WAKA's will be placed at the start of each lane. Participants will lift the WAKA's up to allow game helpers secure contestants ankles with a rubber band. This will restrict lengthy forward leg movement however by working together as a team they will be able to shuffle towards the end of the lane with first, second and third WAKA's across the finish line receiving points for their respective positions.
The WAKA's are not heavy and the key to this game is working together as a team.

Back up game only:

- 5. Helmet toss:** Individual member representing their Chapter. From a standing position, the representative will throw under arm, a full face motorcycle helmet as far as possible. They will have two attempts with the largest throw being measured. Winner will receive a trophy and the Chapter will receive points towards the Chapter Challenge Trophy. Points given for first (30), second (20) and third (10)

Show and Shine: If you wish to show off your Harley please download the form from our website and mail it away to Waikato HOG.