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In the beginning...

The **Rockhampton HOG** Chapter was formed on the 28th of January 1995. In 1997, the Chapter introduced the current format of the Official Ride held on the 1st Sunday of the month and the Chapter Meeting held on the 3rd Saturday followed by a social night after the meeting. Often there is an impromptu ride that Sunday.

The Chapter has hosted the QLD State Rally on two previous occasions. Firstly in 1998 and then again in 2009 with 100's of bikes from all over Australia and New Zealand heading to Rockhampton for the weekend. We also regularly attend events held by other Chapters. On the local scene, the Chapter gets involved in raising much needed funds for local charities throughout the year by holding or supporting Poker Runs, Toy Rides, Wild Woman Rides etc.

Since 1995, the **Rockhampton Harley Owners Group** membership has grown from just 18 at the 1st ever meeting to a peak of over 150 members. Currently we have around 128 active and financial members. It is not uncommon to have 30+ bikes on Official Rides.

In 2009, just prior to holding the State Rally, the **Rumble Inn** was built at the back of RHD. This is the venue for the monthly meetings and is also open every Friday evening from 5pm till 10pm for Chapter members and their guests to come and socialise at the end of the working week. So if you're interested in joining the Chapter or just passing through, drop in for a cold one with a great bunch of **Rockhampton HOG** members.



From the Editor...

As I sit here pondering what to write, I am astounded that we are nearly two months in to 2013! Seth was six weeks old last Friday! Before I know it he and Brett will be picking out his first Harley!

Judging by the photos that have been sent through to me, the Ladies Of Harley kicked everyone else's tooshie in the getting out there and getting amongst it department. Good on you Ladies!

This weekend a large number of our Members are kicking up their heels at the Agnes Waters Blues and Roots Festival. I can't wait to hear all about it when they get home! I'll be chasing a Ride Report and some photos - hint hint!

I must say I am very much looking forward to the upcoming rides and events that Chief and Mo (our newly appointed Activities Officers) and Graeme along with the LOH Officers Chantal and Debbie have put together for the year. Some wonderful memories in the making for those who participate. Brett and I are really looking forward to the arrival of our new wheels so that we can get out there and get amongst it again!

Cheers,

Jill



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2013 Rockhampton HOG Chapter Committee



Director

Noel Guley (Mufti)



Assistant Director

Daren White (Whitey)



Secretary

Melissa Hill



Treasurer

Geoff Richardson (Richo)



Activities

Steve Cowley (Chief) & Moana Tioriori (Mo)



Editor

Jillian Rickertt (Jill)



Ladies of Harley (LOH)

Chantal Sommerfeld & Debbie Foster



Historian

Jayne Fry (Miss Jayne)



Safety Officer

Rick Bellert



Photographer

Anne Haines (Annie)



Membership Officer

Carolyn Guley



Webmaster

Brett Alloway



Road Captains

Myles Witt (Witty), Noel Guley (Mufti),
Cam Jennison (Big Cam) & Cathy Barry (Nasty)



Sponsoring Dealer

Geoff Trewin - Rocky Harley-Davidson





Director

Noel Guley (Mufti)



Hi Folks

Just a quick update for those members who were unable to attend last Saturday's meeting. Mark Bull has decided to resign from the position of Director and I will be filling in for the next couple of months. However, Daren White (Whitey) will be assuming the role of Director as soon as he feels that he is comfortable in this new role. I will leave that decision up to Whitey but I'm sure that it won't be too far away. Whitey has been a very active member of our Chapter over the past few years and I look forward to working closely with him so that we can ensure our Chapter remains strong, positive and continues to grow. So get behind Whitey and give him your full support and encouragement!

In the past I have always said that the general business section of our monthly meetings should be the forum for any member/s to discuss any issue relating to our Chapter. So it was very pleasing to see this happening at our last meeting and I encourage you all to express your thoughts and concerns in the same positive way. By doing this we can usually resolve issues quickly by a simple show of hands and move forward. However if you feel that the issue can't wait until the next meeting please feel free to discuss the matter with Whitey or myself at any time.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of those dedicated committee members who work behind the scenes making sure that our Chapter runs smoothly. It's no secret that two of the key ingredients of any successful chapter are good communication i.e. a great monthly newsletter, website and our text messaging service. Secondly every Chapter needs great rides and activities which members can enjoy attending. So thanks again to you all for making this happen.

Riding and Socialising

Let's keep it simple and ride when we feel like riding and have a drink and a chat when we don't feel like riding. It's all about a happy balance between family, work, funds and fun. If you can get that balance right the Rockhampton HOG Chapter can be a fulfilling and fun experience. Sometimes life's commitments or lack of funds (bloody rates notice) stop us doing what we would rather be doing. So please don't feel that you have to go on every ride or attend everything that's happening. Look for the Events Calendar in this newsletter and you'll always be up to date with what's happening so that you can plan ahead and start having some fun.

The Rumble Inn is looking for some volunteers to help behind the bar on Friday evenings. If you've ever had a hankering to be a bar bitch/bloke please contact Carolyn or Bowie. This is a great opportunity for newer members to meet people as everyone comes up to the bar sooner or later! Our thoughts and best wishes are with our old mate Laurie Payne who is back in Brisbane undergoing more tests. Come back soon mate as there's still a heap of that bloody awful VB in the fridge and you're the only one that'll drink it! Bowie has been crook again too – so get well soon mate. Lastly to Warren Williams (Wazza) from the Red White and Blue Social Crew, I hope you mend painlessly and quickly and are back on a bike real soon. That's enough from me - I'll see you on the road or at the Rumble Inn. Enjoy the Agnes Water weekend.

HAPPY 21ST TAMARA FROM EVERYONE AT ROCKY HOG AND ROCKY HARLEY DAVIDSON – YOUR SMILE AND GOOD NATURE HELPS BRIGHTEN UP MANY PEOPLES DAY!!!!

Ride Safe & Ride Often

Noel (Mufti)



Assistant Director

Daren White (Whitey)



Hi all,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved with the Rocky Hog Chapter with a special thanks to Geoff, Mary Jane, our new committee members, and my partner Mel for the support in my new role as Assistant Director.

As we have had a few recent changes in the past few weeks with getting a committee together, I thank you all for your patience. In saying that, I feel we are now on track and I am looking forward to working with a great committee team that we have in place for a great year ahead.

I was very overwhelmed to have and see the support from my fellow friends and members at our last monthly meeting. I would like to say a special thanks to Noel (Mufti) for stepping up as Director once again on such short notice, and I mean really short notice. This means a lot to me, as I feel I couldn't be in better hands to get experience and confidence from a great guy. I feel this will enable myself to step up to the big chair as soon as I feel comfortable.

Keep a look out for the upcoming rides and events planned and proposed for throughout the year as there is some fun times ahead to be had by all. Don't forget, if anyone has any great suggestions for rides or events for the club please come forward with your ideas as this is your club too. All ideas and proposals are truly welcomed.

I am looking forward to riding and socializing with everyone, as I have had nothing short of a good time since the day I bought my first bike back in 2007.

Ride safe.

Cheers,

Whitey





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I would like to start by thanking Mark Bull for putting his hand up for the Director's role. After a few weeks and a lot of discussions, Mark has decided it's not for him and I respect that.

"Leaving it all behind" and "onward and upward" - Noel has stepped in as Director (more comebacks than Johnny Farnham) which I know we all appreciate. Noel has made it clear he is there to groom Daren which is a fantastic way to approach it. We only want Daren to take the next step when he is ready.

Now Let's Ride!!! It will be a big year with lots planned ending with a major 2 night ride to Maggie Island. Dates to be advised but it will be later in the year and before it gets too hot.

New staff at RHD:

Shane Constable - Sales Manager

Cath Richardson - Inventory Controller

Amanda (Stellarossa) - was leaving but decided to go for a shorter break because she likes it so much.

Please be careful as some pot holes we have seen will swallow bikes!!

Geoff



ROCKY HARLEY-DAVIDSON



Secretary

Melissa Hill



ROCKHAMPTON HARLEY OWNERS GROUP

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MINUTES FOR AGM & MEETING HELD AT RHD 16 FEBRUARY 2013

Meeting Opened at: 17:50

Apologies : Myles & Cate Witt, Bernie Davies, Stephen McIntosh, Kim Sommerfeld, Cathy Barry, Russell Arnold, Gordon & Cheryl Smith, Brett Alloway

Director's Report :

- My role is to the Chapter, I look forward to working with the new committee.
- Thank you to Chantal and Graeme for the work that you have done with the rides.
- Motto for this year is "Let those who ride, decide".
- I put it out that we do not read out the old minutes from the last meeting. Moved by Geoff Trewin and Seconded by Keith Patten.
- We have two new Activities Officers, they are Steve Cowley and Mo Tioriori. Their role is the most important in the club and I hope that Graeme and Chantal can work with Steve and Mo on our ride calendar.

Secretary's Report : There has been no correspondence for the month.

Treasurer's Report : Report has been listed on our website, if you would like a copy of this please let me know and it will be provided. Moved by Steve Cowley, Seconded by Rick Bellert.

Dealer's Report:

- Chapter Challenges are a good thing, but we have to support other Chapter's for them to support ours. For some Chapters it's their only main source of raising money.
- I have only a few rules that must be followed:
 - All rides must leave from RHD.
 - I will remove any members for actively promoting against RHD.
 - I will choose a Director that I know I can work with. And everything must go through the Director.
- The shop has been doing well, CVOs are a raging success. We have sold the 3 Breakouts. We also did well in the Performance Awards. We got in the top 5 for Sales of Accessories. Glen won the trip to Daytona, but is unable to go, so I will be going instead. The Coffee Shop is doing really well, Amanda will be leaving us to travel overseas.



LOH Report:

- Debbie - I would like to thank Geoff and everyone for allowing me in this role. We went to the Giddy Goat on Wednesday Night and had a great time being entertained by a French Uni-Cyclist. We had about 10 Ladies turn up, and I would like to encourage more Ladies to attend.
- Chantal - We love to ride! On the New Riders' Ride we got wet as we headed down to Yeppoon, via Byfield. I missed the turn off and the Ladies waited for me to get back on track. We went to the Marina for lunch, Anne joined us there and we had a great time. All Ladies are welcome to join us on the rides, or to meet us there. Wednesday the 13th March is our next event, we are having a games night at RHD. We will approach Geoff to see if we can have access to the Coffee Shop for this or other events.

Safety Officer's Report: Safety Report can be seen in the Newsletter.

Rumble Inn's Report:

- Thank you all for all the hot dishes for tonight.
- Thursday the 28th of March the Sunny Coast Chapter are coming up. There is about 15 bikes coming. We will be having a Roast Night.
- Tamara is having her 21st here on the 23rd of February. Steve and Mo have booked the bus so they can pick up and drop off their guests.
- Raylene has raised \$400.00 over the last 12 months and she is going to have a Seafood Night for the April Meeting Night. Cost is around the \$20.00 per head to cover all costs.

General Business:

- We have a friend, Warren Williams, that was involved in an accident the other day. And it just brings it home - we have to have fun. We all work hard but come to the Rumble Inn and then it's time to chill.
- The Rockhampton Special School are having a Poker Run on the 25/5/2013.
- The HD 110th Anniversary Ride to Williamstown, if anyone is going can you please speak to Graeme or Brett.
- As a Club, do we still want to do the Sheriffs? Show of hands, and motion passed by Members to continue Sheriffs.
- Are we allowed to hold Raffles? Yes.
- The Ride Calendar has been approved, it's for the next 3 months.

Thank You all for your Support.

Meeting Closed: 18:55





Ladies of Harley (LOH)

Chantal Sommerfeld & Debbie Foster



The LOH have had a great start to 2013. We enjoyed a nice evening at the Giddy Goat on the 13th of February. Nine ladies in all shared some yummy tacos and a delicious dessert. I had no idea the place would be so popular mid week and hadn't booked a table. Luckily we were able to pull a couple of smaller tables together and add some extra chairs. We were even provided with some entertainment when a young, cute, French (well he had a French accent anyway) traveler entertained us on his unicycle. A good night was had by all.

Then, on Saturday 16th, we enjoyed our first ride for the year. It was such a bleak, overcast morning with showers that we hesitated for a short while trying to decide whether to go ahead or not. This ride was to help our new riders to gain more experienceso riding in the rain is experience!!! Geoff went through a few pointers for us emphasising the necessity to follow the staggered riding formation and leaving enough distance between riders to ensure everyone's safety. Although we did get a little wet at times, it was still good fun. Melissa's shoes may need a few weeks to dry out though (she squelched into the restaurant). We ended up at the Roslyn Bay Marina for lunch and enjoyed some laughs. We had seven riders and Annie met us at the Marina so again it was a good turnout.

Many thanks to all who participated....and many thanks to Deb also who is our other LOH officer.

Our next LOH night on Wednesday 13th March is a proposed games night. Geoff has agreed to let us use the coffee shop area and if possible we will be able to get a nice cuppa there as well. This night to commence at 6.30pm. Would appreciate you letting Debbie or myself know if you think you might be coming for catering purposes. My number is 0417 703 904 and Deb can be contacted also on 0421 114 630.

Ride safely,

Chantal

Hello to everyone,

As most of the people I have met in the H.O.G family know, I am very passionate and ambitious about riding my Harley. As a Ladies of Harley Officer and Representative I would like to, along with Chantal, "be responsible for encouraging women members to take an active part in the Chapter activities" (Annual Charter for H.O.G Chapters). The activities are a great way to get to know each person individually, both female and male, allowing great friendships to be formed.

What a great month February has been for Ladies of Harley so far with a social gathering at the Giddy Goat and a very wet, but fun ride to the Marina at Roslyn Bay. More motorcycle riding skills and experience were achieved from this ride. A huge thank you to Geoff Trewin for giving us a pre-ride talk that gave us tips for safe group riding. Thank you to our husbands and partners for having such faith in our riding abilities, also Whitey for being our weather watcher. Whitey showed us the radar but off we went confidently and rode into every pocket of rain on the BOM in the area!

Debbie



Membership Officer

Carolyn Guley



THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO HARLEY OWNERSHIP THAN THE UNIQUE RIDE...

H.O.G (Harley Owners Group) is the largest factory-sponsored motorcycle enthusiast organisation in the world. It was created to enhance the experience of owning a Harley-Davidson motorcycle by offering access to a host of benefits and services associated with ownership of the world's most famous motorcycle. These include the H.O.G Magazine, the invaluable Touring Handbook, invitations to national and state rallies, joining a local chapter, rental programs and much, much more.

Since it was formed in 1983 by the Harley-Davidson Motor company, the membership of the Harley Owners Group has grown rapidly. It now has more than a million members around the world with more than 22,000 in Australia and New Zealand and one of those is you.

Joining a local H.O.G. chapter is a great way to get more from your membership. At our local chapter, you can make new friends, find people to ride with, participate in chapter activities, and have a lot of fun!

Each chapter is sponsored by an authorised Harley-Davidson dealership. Currently there are more than 1,400 official H.O.G. chapters around the world.

More information next month.

Ride often.

Carolyn





Safety Officer

Rick Bellert



Hi All,

I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to be your Safety Officer in this, the best HOG Chapter in Australia. What we may lack in numbers, we more than make up for in quality.

So what now? What I hope to bring to the Chapter as Safety Officer is to be a conduit for HOG members and the Chapter committee to raise any ideas or issues that may arise or present themselves out on our rides and to give useful tips on riding and maintenance problems we might experience with our pride and joy (the one with a V-twin).

As I see it, the big ones are; Speed; Experience; Environment.

Speed: We all like to search our limits and abilities but without sounding like the long arm of the law, there is a right time and place. Remember you are a representative for us all.

Experience: Rocky HOG has a vast range of riders on all types of machines. Each and every one of us is at a different place as to how we ride. Some like to push the limits of their skills and machines, and at the other end of the spectrum, those who like to enjoy the scenery at a more legal pace. It is up to you, the individual, to be confident in where you sit in this, and ride to your ability and comfort. No prizes for first home in this organisation.

Environment: How lucky are we to be living in this great vast continent Australia. We are afforded great weather for riding opportunities all year round. Unfortunately it seems our roads leave us with more of a challenge to negotiate safely (there's that word again).

So whether you like to go fast or slow, it's all about the journey. Watch out for each other out there and mind the pot holes.

Keep your lids skid free.

Rick



Rides & Events Calendar



OFFICIAL CLUB RIDES -> 1ST SUNDAY EACH MONTH

CLUB MEETINGS -> 3RD SATURDAY EACH MONTH

RUMBLE INN -> EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT -> 5PM TIL 10PM

Rocky Harley-Davidson Opening Hours

Mon to Thurs -> 8am til 5pm Friday -> 8am til 8pm

Saturday -> 9am til Midday

March

- 3rd **Official Club Ride Day** -> Ride to Comet for BBQ Lunch - details TBC closer to date.
- 13th **Ladies of Harley Event** -> Games Night @ RHD in Stellarossa Coffee Shop commencing 0630pm
- 16th Supa Saturday @ RHD -> 0900am till 0100pm**
- 16th **March Meeting & Social Night** -> Meeting commences 05.30pm at RHD
- 16th **Kiss Concert** -> Mackay - See Mark Bull (aka Bully) if you would like to attend **
- 17th **Impromptu Ride** -> Meet @ RHD at the time specified the night before (at the Monthly Meeting) and depart for destination (also decided the night before).
- 28th Roast Night at the Rumble Inn -> Hosting Sunshine Coast Chapter
- 29-31st **Victorian HOG State Rally** **

April

- 7th **Official Club Ride Day** -> "See the Countryside!" - depart RHD via Calliope, Banana and Duaringa. Lunch venue to be decided (Westwood Pub maybe)
- 12-14th **Harley Davidson 110th Anniversary Celebrations - Williamstown, VIC** ** - departing RHD Tuesday 9th - see Brett Alloway or Graeme Wall
- 13th **Ladies of Harley Event** -> Barefoot Bowls @ Rydges - details TBA
- 20th **April Meeting & Social Night** -> Meeting commences 05.30pm at RHD followed by a Seafood Night -> details including cost per head TBC however will be approx. \$20/head at this stage.
- 21st **Impromptu Ride** -> Meet @ RHD at the time specified the night before (at the Monthly Meeting) and depart for destination (also decided the night before).

May

- 4-6th **Official Club Ride Day** -> this is a long weekend. Good opportunity for an overnight stay - possibly two nights. Woodgate has been mentioned however any other destination will be considered.
- 13th **Ladies of Harley Event** -> details TBA
- 18th **May Meeting & Social Night** -> Meeting commences 05.30pm at RHD
- 19th **Impromptu Ride** -> Meet @ RHD at the time specified the night before (at the Monthly Meeting) and depart for destination (also decided the night before).
- 25th Rockhampton Special School Poker Run -> Details TBA

Future Rides & Events (Dates TBA)

- Dealer Ride to Magnetic Island
- Overnighter & Club Meeting to be held at another location (on maybe more than one occasion)
- Hard out run to Ravenshoe (for the dedicated riders who want to go hard and fast)

RUMBLE INN -> EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT -> 5PM TIL 10PM

MAVIS THE HOG BUS

At each Monthly Meeting, the Driver Roster for the Friday nights up until the next meeting is compiled. Please have a look at your schedule and nominate yourself for a Friday night that suits you to be designated driver. If everyone does it, each person will only have to drive the bus once every 100 weeks so please participate!

Thank you to this month's drivers:

1st March: **Not yet organised**

8th March: **Not yet organised**

15th March: **Not yet organised**

If you do use Mavis for a lift home, please remember to put a minimum \$5 fare into her money tin (bolted to the hand rail just inside the sliding door) to put towards keeping her fueled and maintained.

*"Once you Rumble Inn, we will help
you Stumble Out in Mavis..."*

*****PLEASE NOTE: Mavis will only take you home (not pick you up)*****



Supa Saturday

16th MARCH 2013

9:00am to 1:00pm

**So grab your family and friends and join us
at Rocky Harley-Davidson for great day...**

On the day:

- + HUGE SAVINGS on selected Clothing, Accessories and Parts.**
- + Great Deals on selected New & Used motorcycles in store.**
- + Get info on our Demo Seats & how to trial on your bike.**
- + Meet our Harley Master Mechanic for a 1-on-1 Q&A.**
- + Meet our Finance & Insurance Specialist for a 1-on-1 Q&A.**

**PLUS a Sausage Sizzle, Face Painting for the Kids,
and much, much, more to enjoy on the day...**



Rocky Harley-Davidson

125 William St, Rockhampton 07 4924 9299

NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK!



Pictured are just four items of NEW STOCK in the Rocky Harley-Davidson Merchandise Department !!! There is much, much more! Be sure to drop in and see Carolyn so that she can show you the full range!



NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK! NEW STOCK!

3rd February - Impromptu Ride to Byfield - photos by Anne Haines



Who's bike is
being pushed →
in this photo?!



13th February - LOH Social Night - Dinner & Drinks @ The Giddy Goat



15th February - Friday night @ Rumble Inn - photos by Anne Haines



Rick and his new bike!

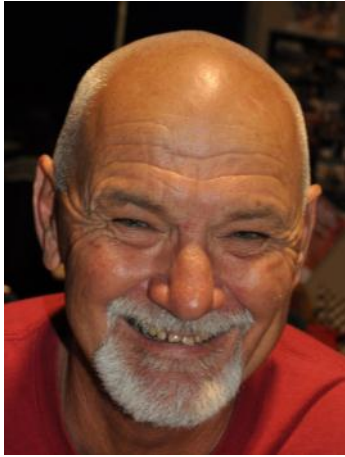


16th February - LOH New Riders' Ride



16th February - Monthly Meeting @ Rumble Inn - photos by Anne Haines





NAME: Cedric Fry

AGE: 56

HOG NICKNAME: Fry

PARTNER/PILLION: Jayne Fry

OCCUPATION: Inspector with the council

YEARS RIDING: since I was 17 years old

WHEN DID YOU JOIN:

- **International HOG** 4 years ago
- **Rockhampton HOG** 4 years ago

CURRENT HARLEY DAVIDSON: 2011 Fatboy Lo

PREVIOUS BIKES/HARLEYS: 2008 Fat Bob

BEST HARLEY RIDE YOU'VE BEEN ON & WHY...

A ride down to Tamworth but we just kept going down through Putty Road etc - it was spur of the moment.

WORST HARLEY RIDE YOU'VE BEEN ON & WHY...

There's no bad ones...

DREAM HARLEY... They're all a dream!

DREAM RIDE... Sturgess

FAVOURITE DRINK... XXXX Gold

FAVOURITE FOOD... Anything I don't have to cook!

YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE

ROCKHAMPTON HOG CHAPTER Atmosphere



NAME: Jeff Zornig

AGE: 52

HOG NICKNAME: Yogi

PARTNER/PILLION: Julie

OCCUPATION: Train Driver with Aurizon

YEARS RIDING: Since I was 6 years old

WHEN DID YOU JOIN:

- **International HOG** 2006
- **Rockhampton HOG** 2006

CURRENT HARLEY DAVIDSON: 2010 Softail Custom

PREVIOUS BIKES/HARLEYS: Lowrider & Honda 4

BEST HARLEY RIDE YOU'VE BEEN ON & WHY...

Outside the box run. It was just f'ing great.

WORST HARLEY RIDE YOU'VE BEEN ON & WHY...

A ride to Many Peaks - it was so hot!

DREAM HARLEY... The one I have

DREAM RIDE... Through the guts of America.

FAVOURITE DRINK... Carlton Mid Strength

FAVOURITE FOOD... Kebab

YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT THE

ROCKHAMPTON HOG CHAPTER Everything about the social side.

FOR SALE

For any further information please phone Jim on 0408895304 or speak to Geoff Trewin. Geoff feels they would be a good project for someone looking to restore electric kids' Harleys...



PATCH PLACEMENT ON VESTS

I contacted Kim Williams (HOG Executive) to see if there were any hard and fast rules regarding patch placement on vests. This is what she had to say:

No we don't have a document about HOG pins/patch placement. I don't believe there would be an official one like this.

The only time we have determined how a rocker should be placed is in our Trademark agreement with Chapters and this paragraph below states the Chapter official name rocker should be positioned about the HOG eagle logo. Apart from that there are no set rules.

3. only display the H.O.G eagle logo with Chapter's official name, which name must be displayed above the H.O.G eagle logo and within the official H.O.G. Chapter chevron as depicted below:



Newsletter Deadline

All Members are welcome to submit items for publication in the monthly newsletter. Please email them to editor@rockyhog.com no later than the Wednesday after the monthly meeting to make it into the next issue.

Motorcycling with the family...sent in by Rockhampton HOG Chapter Member Russell Arnold



This model is ideal for growing families. It can accommodate 1 adult and 5 children.



They are never too young to enjoy bike riding.



Love this kids pillion seat, it has a sissy bar.



More pics on www.imfunny.net

Motorcycling with the family, no reason to leave the family pet behind.

Motorcycling with the family...sent in by Rockhampton HOG Chapter Member Russell Arnold



Nothing beats riding a motor bike with your mates, room for 4 more.



Specialised baby seat for toddlers on motorcycles.



Why not involve the grandparents? You never know when you may need a baby sitter.



They are never too young to start riding. This isn't a saddlebag, it's a baby capsule, honest.

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Sent in by Anne Haines

PUT WORDS IN THEIR MOUTH



Each month I will choose a “Photo of the Month” from photos that have been sent in by Rockhampton HOG Members (you don’t have to be an official Chapter Photographer to send in photos). The photo must have been taken at a Rockhampton HOG Event that has occurred since the last issue of the Newsletter was published. Email your entries to editor@rockyhog.com. There will be a prize at the end of the year for the best “Photo of the Month”.

For “Put Words In Their Mouth”, email me (editor@rockyhog.com) what you think is being said between the people in the photo - the most creative entry will be published in the next issue of the Newsletter.

NOTE: No “Put Words In Their Mouth” suggestions were emailed in from the last newsletter :(

A little something for our future HOG members to colour in...



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE
PIGLETS & JUNIOR HOGS!!!**

No birthdays this month...

Attention Parents/Guardians - please let Mother Pig Michelle Patten know the birthdate/s of your Piglet/s and Junior Hog/s so that we can publish a little shout-out to them in the Newsletter in the appropriate month.



The following is information for new Members about the Rockhampton HOG Chapter:

Monthly Meetings - As a Member of the Rockhampton HOG Chapter, you are encouraged to attend our Chapter meetings held on the third Saturday of each month. They are a great time to socialise and get together with old and new friends. We discuss Chapter business and convey information about up and coming events and activities. These meetings start at 0530pm at the back of Rocky Harley-Davidson (RHD) aka The Rumble Inn. There is usually an impromptu ride the day after the meeting (Sunday) with the nature and destination decided upon either at the meeting or on the Sunday morning just prior to departure from RHD (which is normally around 0900am).

Monthly Rides - As a Member of the Rockhampton HOG Chapter, you are encouraged to attend the monthly ride on the first Sunday of each month. They nearly always depart from the back of Rocky Harley-Davidson (RHD) aka The Rumble Inn at a pre-arranged time. They vary in length, nature and destination and are always a lot of fun. For those with partners and/or families who don't ride and/or prefer not to be a pillion, the Chapter has its own 11 seater bus (Mavis) which follows on all rides and is available to Members and their families. It is asked that those who use the bus make a reasonable monetary contribution towards fueling Mavis after returning from the ride.

The Rumble Inn - in 2009, just prior to the Rockhampton HOG Chapter holding the Queensland State Rally, the Rumble Inn was built at the back of RHD. This is the venue for the monthly meetings and is the starting point for most of our monthly rides. It is also open every Friday evening from 5pm to 10pm for Chapter Members and their guests to come and socialise at the end of the working week. Mavis (the Chapter bus) has a designated driver every Friday night and is available to take you home if required. It is asked that you pay a "fare" into Mavis's Money Tin (mounted in the bus) when you arrive at your destination to help fuel her up for next time.

Rockhampton HOG Chapter Website - is located at www.rockyhog.com. To access the Members Only section, you need to be a current Member of the Rockhampton HOG Chapter. Once you are, ask Carolyn at RHD for the password to sign up to the website. On the site you will find some Chapter history, ride rules, past newsletters, photos, classifieds, upcoming events and lots more. It also has a Forum where you can introduce yourself etc.

Rockhampton HOG Newsletter - Our newsletter is issued monthly and includes our ride calendar and other information for Members plus stories about what has happened in the Chapter during the previous month. Our newsletter only works if you contribute too so please don't forget to send in recollections of previous rides, photos and any other bits and pieces you think other Members may be interested in. Photos of the rides are always popular! Contributions can be emailed to editor@rockyhog.com. The newsletter is published on the Chapter website www.rockyhog.com. Each month's issue is normally uploaded no later than the Sunday after the monthly meeting. A limited number of printed copies are also available from the Rumble Inn (first in best dressed).

GUIDELINES FOR SAFE RIDING ON HOG RIDES

- There will be a briefing before all rides so arrive at the designated start point half an hour before departure time.
- Pay attention to the ride briefing given by the Road Captain. If in doubt - Ask.
- If you are experiencing any difficulty that might affect others, let the Road Captain know before departure.
- Always fuel up before the start of the ride.
- Make sure your bike is in roadworthy condition. Check this before you leave home, not 5 minutes before the ride time. Check all lights, battery, tyres, etc.
- As a general rule, the group will depart and arrive as a group.
- Unless arranged prior to departure, do not pass the Road Captain.
- Use only one lane of a multilane highway. Follow the lead of the Road Captain as to which lane to use.
- Ride in a staggered formation except on narrow roads where you should follow in Indian or single file. When a rider leaves the group (eg. turning off to go home), or changes position in the formation, the remaining group will switch lanes using indicators to signal intention, and restore the staggered formation.

Staggered Formation Riding

Below is the primary riding formation.

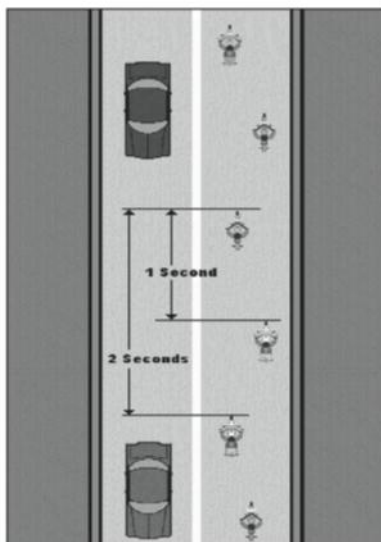
Single file is used when directed by the ride leader.

One-second rule: The bike in the lane to your left or right should not be less than one second ahead of you.

Two-second rule: Maintain at least two seconds between you and the rider in front of you.

Four-second rule: Look ahead four seconds at your immediate path of travel to give yourself more time to react to a hazard.

Twelve-second rule: Also look ahead at your anticipated path of travel. Twelve seconds is about one city block.



- When overtaking, maintain your overtaking speed until those overtaking with you have enough room to pull in behind without having to break suddenly.
- If you intend to travel at a slower pace than expected on the ride, position yourself towards the rear of the group and not in the front or the middle.
- New riders should take up position in front of "Tail End Charlie" for the first few rides. This is at the rear of the Pack.
- Keep an eye on the rider behind you. If they stop unexpectedly, you stop and determine the problem before proceeding. The rider behind you is your responsibility. An exception to this rule is "Tail End Charlie" - there should be no one behind him/her.

Most importantly - **"RIDE SAFE AND HAVE FUN"**

Supa Saturday

16th MARCH 2013

9:00am to 1:00pm

**So grab your family and friends and join us
at Rocky Harley-Davidson for great day...**

On the day:

- + HUGE SAVINGS on selected Clothing, Accessories and Parts.**
- + Great Deals on selected New & Used motorcycles in store.**
- + Get info on our Demo Seats & how to trial on your bike.**
- + Meet our Harley Master Mechanic for a 1-on-1 Q&A.**
- + Meet our Finance & Insurance Specialist for a 1-on-1 Q&A.**

**PLUS a Sausage Sizzle, Face Painting for the Kids,
and much, much, more to enjoy on the day...**



Rocky Harley-Davidson

125 William St, Rockhampton 07 4924 9299

MONSTER TOUR 2013

KISS

MÖTLEY CRÜE

WITH VERY SPECIAL GUESTS

THIN LIZZY AND Diva Demolition

PERTH ARENA
THURSDAY 28 FEBRUARY

ADELAIDE - CLIPSAL 500
SUNDAY 3 MARCH

MELBOURNE - ETIHAD STADIUM
TUESDAY 5 MARCH

SYDNEY - ALLPHONES ARENA
SATURDAY 9 MARCH

BRISBANE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
TUESDAY 12 MARCH

MACKAY - VIRGIN AUSTRALIA STADIUM
SATURDAY 16 MARCH

KISS and MÖTLEY CRÜE. On the same stage. On the same night...

It's the news Australian fans have been waiting for with the spectacle of spectacles announced today, KISS with very special guests MÖTLEY CRÜE will tour Australia in March 2013.

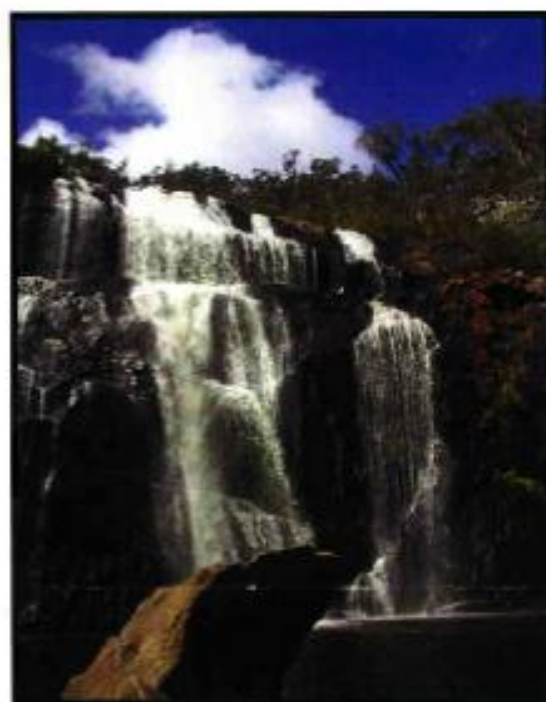
The summer's biggest, baddest rock tour will hit Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Mackay and Adelaide with guests Thin Lizzy along for the ride.

KISS and MÖTLEY CRÜE's US summer tour has already gone down as one of the most-talked about rock'n'roll extravaganzas and now, finally, it's Australia's turn!

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Events & Travel

Contact Mark Bull (aka Bully) if you would like to attend the Mackay Concert as he and his family are heading up for it. Check out the Chapter Website www.rockyhog.com for full booklet.



VICTORIAN RALLY 2013 HORSHAM

Hosted by - Horsham Chapter

EASTER WEEKEND

March 29-31, 2013

- Lots of free camping with powered sites
- Great meals & drinks at below bar prices
- Live entertainment
- Sensational guided rides in the picturesque Grampians region
- Thunder Ride and Show 'n' Shine ending in Horsham
- Chapter Challenge

PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY

NOW!

Find Horsham motels at:

Horsham Tourist Information Centre

(03) 5382 1832

www.visithorsham.com.au

New Chapter Website: www.horshamhog.org.au



2013 VICTORIAN STATE H.O.G. RALLY

Friday 29th March to Monday 1st April - Wimmera Events Centre, Horsham

Hosted by Horsham Chapter www.horshamhog.org.au

WELCOME TO THE WIMMERA & GRAMPIANS

Horsham is a vibrant city, located on the banks of the Wimmera River; on the Western Highway, 3 hrs from Melbourne and 4hrs from Adelaide. The picturesque Grampians mountain range is in our backyard and the Horsham Chapter warmly invite H.O.G. Members, their partners and families from far and wide to experience our region and generous hospitality at the 2013 Vic State Rally.

RALLY SITE & ACCOMMODATION

The Rally will be held within the **secure venue** of Wimmera Events Centre, 37 Field Days Rd, Longerenong (13km from Horsham CBD. **Free Camping**, with powered sites and full amenities (inc hot showers) are available for everyone; all within 100m from the main venue. Not taking advantage of the free camping option? Many Horsham Motels are located within walking distance of the **Limited Courtesy Bus** pickup points. For more details go to www.horshamhog.org.au/rally. **As the Rally is on the EASTER LONG WEEKEND, it is strongly recommended you book early!**



REGISTRATION

Register online at www.horshamhog.org.au/rally or download the Registration Form to either Fax or Post with payment. Registration Fee: \$170 H.O.G. International Member or Adult guest, \$85 Children 7-17 and Children 0-6 are free. **Only pre-Registered Members & Guests will receive a Rally Pack). Pre-Registration Deadline is 31/01/13.** Day Passes will be available only at the Rally gate. Member/Adult Guest Reg. includes:

- Free Onsite Camping with full amenities & security
- 6 Generous Home-Style Meals
- 4-day Pass & Entry to all Rally Events
- Official Rally Pin & Stubby Cooler
- Beer & Spirits at below bar prices
- 3 Nights of Live Entertainment
- Access to Courtesy Bus for Non-campers

EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT

We have a long weekend crammed with everything you'd want at a Rally and more! You will enjoy three nights of Live Bands, excellent prizes, guided rides, taking in the magnificent Grampians and Arapiles regions, Saturday arvo Chapter Challenge (organised by Mallee Chapter), Sunday morning Thunder Ride and Show & Shine in May Park, Horsham where you'll be welcomed by the Horsham community.

CATERING & REFRESHMENTS

Six hearty cooked home-style meals are included in your Registration fee; Breakfast Saturday, Sunday and Monday as well as Dinner Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Beer and Spirits will be served at the Rally at **Below-Bar Pricing!**

OFFICIAL RALLY MERCHANDISE

Official Rally T-Shirts and Patches must be ordered at pre-Registration, either online or by Registration form. Your ordered T-Shirt and Patch can be collected with your Rally Pack at the Registration Desk onsite. The Chapter are planning a sewing service to be available at the Rally if you wish to wear your new Rally Patch. Registrations received after 31/01/13 cannot be guaranteed supply of Rally T-Shirts or Patches.

SPONSORING DEALER

Despite being a small-scaled Dealership, it's been dedication, passion and vision that has seen Horsham Harley-Davidson's team grow to become a benchmark of best practice for dealers within the authorised Harley-Davidson dealership network in Australia. Horsham Harley is very proud to support the Horsham Chapter in hosting the 2013 Vic State Rally and welcome you all to their Store 84 McPherson Street, Horsham. **To pre-book a tyre change or service** to your Harley whilst in Horsham, either phone Michael (03) 5382 0220 or go to: http://www.horshamharley.com.au/service_enquiry.php

MORE INFO

Go www.horshamhog.org.au/rally or send an email to rally@horshamhog.org.au or phone Shane 0427 340 834 More about Horsham, Victoria: www.visithorsham.com.au





REGISTRATION FORM – 2013 VICTORIAN STATE HOG RALLY

Friday 29th to Monday 1st April 2013 - Wimmera Events Centre, Horsham
Pre-registration deadline: 31st Jan 2013 (Only pre-registered members will receive Rally Pack)

Price: \$170 Member or Guest, \$85 Child 7-17 (Child 0-6 free)

MEMBER 1 REGISTRATION:

H.O.G. Int'l Membership No: _____ Chapter: _____

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____ P/code _____

Phone/Mobile: _____

Email: _____

T-Shirt: ☐ Mens Size _____ ☐ Womens Size _____ (refer to fitting guide)

Please cross out not applicable:

Camping Onsite? Yes/No

Catering Friday to Sunday Morning/Friday to Monday Morning

Dietary Gluten free/Nuts Allergy/Vegetarian

MEMBER 2 REGISTRATION:

H.O.G. Int'l Membership No: _____ Chapter: _____

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____ P/code _____

Phone/Mobile: _____

Email: _____

T-Shirt: ☐ Mens Size _____ ☐ Womens Size _____ (refer to fitting guide)

Please cross out not applicable:

Camping Onsite? Yes/No

Catering Friday to Sunday Morning/Friday to Monday Morning

Dietary Gluten free/Nuts Allergy/Vegetarian

NON-MEMBER 1 REGISTRATION: ☐ Guest of Member ☐ Child 7-17

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____ P/code _____

Phone/Mobile: _____

Email: _____

T-Shirt: ☐ Mens Size _____ ☐ Womens Size _____ (refer to fitting guide)

Please cross out not applicable:

Camping Onsite? Yes/No

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NON-MEMBER 2 REGISTRATION: ☐ Guest of Member ☐ Child 7-17

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____ P/code _____

Phone/Mobile: _____

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T-Shirt: ☐ Mens Size _____ ☐ Womens Size _____ (refer to fitting guide)

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RALLY MERCHANDISE

Official 2013 Victorian HOG Rally T-Shirt: \$30

Official Rally T-Shirts must be ordered at Registration. Your selected T-Shirt can be collected with your Rally Pack at the Registration Desk onsite.

| Mens Size: | S | M | L | XL | 2XL | 3XL | Women Size: | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
|-------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Chest (cm) | 92 | 102 | 112 | 122 | 132 | 142 | Chest (cm) | 92 | 96 | 100 | 105 | 110 | 115 | 120 |
| Length (cm) | 71 | 74 | 76 | 79 | 81 | 84 | Length (cm) | 60 | 62 | 64 | 66 | 68 | 69 | 70 |

Official 2013 Victorian HOG Rally Patch: \$15

Official Rally Patches must be ordered at Registration. The Chapter are planning a sewing service to be available at the Rally if you wish to wear your new Rally Patch.

PAYMENT SUMMARY

| | Number | Amount \$ |
|--|--------|-----------|
| Members & Adult Guests @ \$170 | | |
| Children 7-17 @ \$85 | | |
| Official Rally T-Shirts @ \$30 | | |
| Official Rally Patches @ \$15 | | |
| Total\$ | | |
| Payment can be made by Credit Card below or sending both pages of this form with a Cheque or Money order payable to: Horsham Chapter Inc. DO NOT SEND CASH. Credit Card Payments incur 30 cents transaction fee for each Registered person, which is donated to a Registered Charity. | | |
| Credit Card: <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> Visa | | |
| Name on Card: | | |
| Credit Card Number: | | |
| Expiry: / | CSC: | |
| Signature: | | |

H.O.G. MEMBER DECLARATION AND INDEMNITY

I declare that I will be a fully financial member of H.O.G. International at the time of the 2013 Victorian State Rally, (The Rally) i.e. 29th – 1st April 2013. I also accept that no person registered on this form will hold Harley Owners Group Inc., members of Horsham Chapter Inc., Horsham Harley-Davidson, Wimmera Events Centre or any other party involved with The Rally including their agents and officers responsible for any loss, damage or injury from participation in the Rally.

H.O.G. International Member Signature: _____

FAX: (03) 54 971 491 POST: Vic HOG Rally 2013, PO Box 198, DONALD, VIC 3480

This form becomes a tax invoice upon payment. All Prices include GST. Horsham Chapter Inc ABN 27 748 543 891
 Pre-registration Deadline Policy: Registrations received after 31/01/2013 cannot guarantee supply of Rally Pack, T-Shirt or Patch
 Cancellation Policy: All cancellations will incur a \$10 fee per person. No refunds will be issued for cancellations after 31/01/2013

OFFICE USE ONLY: Receipt Reference: _____



110 YEARS OF FREEDOM

In 2013, from Milwaukee to Rome and in dozens of other cities all across the globe, Harley-Davidson® is commemorating 110 years of classic motorcycles and classic good times. **But before Rome and before Milwaukee - there is Melbourne!**

Be part of the action by purchasing a VIP package.

This will give you a three day pass where you and your fellow HOG members can enjoy live music, food, vintage Harley-Davidson motorcycles and much more. PLUS your entry will include 110th Year pin and patch and 30th Year HOG memorabilia.

Your VIP Package will also include access to a special "H.O.G.-only" event to be held on Friday evening 12th April 2013.

So come and join the party with us at Williamstown. After all an event like this only comes along every 110 years.

For more information, updates and ticket pricing, go to www.h-d110.com.au



WILLIAMSTOWN



YEARS OF FREEDOM

110TH ANNIVERSARY AUSTRALIA



110th Anniversary Celebration

In Australia we will have a weekend long celebration in Williamstown, Victoria from Friday the 12th to Sunday the 14th of April 2013. So start your planning - an event like this only comes along every 110 years.

[Click here to sign up for the H-D email to keep updated on event information.](#)

BREAKING NEWS

Jimmy Barnes to headline Saturday night entertainment!



[Click here to book your tickets.](#)

LOCATION

Australian celebrations will be held at the Seaworks Maritime Precinct on Nelson Place in Williamstown, Victoria.

DATE

12th April to 14th April, 2013

HOG Members

HOG members three day passes available: Friday evening, all day Saturday and all day Sunday.

General Public

All day Saturday and all day Sunday: ticket prices ANNOUNCED IN MARCH.

VIP Passes for HOG Members and Guests

Three day pass for AU\$110 (inc. GST)

HOG members will receive:

- 30th Anniversary HOG pin
- 110th Anniversary Australia patch
- 110th Bandana
- 110th Pin
- 110th Cap

Under 18s will not be allowed into the 110th event at Seaworks until Sunday. On Sunday under 18s will have free entry with a ticketed member/guest.

[Tickets on sale now. Click here for more information.](#)

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

- Live music all weekend
- 2013 Model Bike Displays
- Tattoo Competition
- H-D1 Custom Shop
- Jump Start
- Show N' Shine
- Thunder Run
- Vendors

[Click here to download the 110th Anniversary Daily Schedule \(205kb PDF\)](#)