

## Intermountain Chapter HOG (1255) Historical Report 2024

### Officers:

Director: David Kesner

Asst. Director: Katherine Clarke

Secretary: Debra D'Agostino

Treasurer: Greg Renn

Activities Officer: Gayle Day

Editor: Shannon Weston

Equipment Officer: Art Brenenstahl

Historian: Mason Clarke

Lead Road Captain: Ron Pursell

Asst. Lead Road Captain: Brett Allies

LOH Officer: Linda Potts

Asst. LOH Officer: Corinna Robishaw

Membership Officer: Dawn Renn

Photographer: Jeff D'Agostino

Asst. Photographer: Anna Anderson

Safety Officer: Justin Smith

Webmaster: Mark Rowan

Food Safety Officer: Wayne Day

Merchandise Coordinator: Sherry Pursell

Members a Large:

Herb Weston

Michael Anderson

Kathy Anderson

Bob Anderson

Jamie Allies

John Tessin

Sandy Kesner

HOG Manager: Dennis Peck

**Regional Officer's Connection** (previously Harley Officer's Training): Ron Pursell, Mark Rowan, Jamie Allies and Dawn Renn

### Membership:

**Starting Membership:** 234 (as of January 1, 2024)

**Ending Membership:** 336 (as of December 31, 2024)

**Renewed Membership:** 231 (as of January 1 2025)

**Chapter Rides:** Thirty-nine (down 2 from 2023) including nine overnights (up 2 from 2023)

**Miles Ridden:** 300,500

### Cooking Events:

**BBQs:** Five (same as 2023)

**Pancake Feeds:** Four (same as 2023)

## **Board Activities:**

### **January:**

David (Director) Announced a chapter bereavement of the son to our members Cathy and Rich Berglund. Card and flowers will be sent on behalf of the board.

David (Director) Stressed the Chain of Command when working with the dealership. All requests from board members will need to come to David. David will then contact Dennis (HOG Manager) and all communications/meetings will also include Katherine (Assistant Director).

David (Director) Mentioned that it is time to review the 2021 Chapter By-Laws. He is looking to update the following sections. Section 8 – Duties of Appointed Officers – add additional duties. Section 9 Other Appointed Officers – remove 9C. Shannon (Editor) mentioned that not only update these two sections but, the Chapter By-Laws in its entirety as it has been over 2 years and needs to be reviewed and updated. Shannon has agreed to take on this duty and will seek the help of member's who are in good standing to form a committee of no more than five people to review and provide suggested updates.

David (Director) Announced the annual Budget Meeting will include all executive board officers and any other board officers who are looking for funds this year to cover upcoming events. Greg (Treasurer) has offered to conduct this meet at his home on Tuesday, January 30th at 6:00pm.

Shannon (Editor) briefed that the Christmas Gift Wrapping went very well and was happy to announce that the chapter made \$1,411 in donations and that she had a total of 52 volunteers to fill up the 102 timeslots from November 24 through December 24.

Shannon (Editor) provided an update for the Rockies to Pacific (R2P) event due to John's (Member at Large) absence. This event will be held June 19-21, 2025. An announcement will be made at the General Meeting this month. At that time Shannon will make an additional announcement that there will be an Art Contest with specifications and rules for the Event Shirt Art Work. Winner will receive a \$50 credit toward the purchase of event swag. Registration for the 2025 Event will open in September of this year. Action Item: the 2025 Rockies to Pacific marketing committee is requesting that the Board approve a request of \$300 which will allow the purchase of the domain and website registrations for this event. This is a two-year contract. ~ Board approved with the stipulations that the Treasurer will keep a separate spreadsheet for all of all income/expenditures.

Gayle (Activities Officer) stated that the chapter had raised a total of \$1,814 from our food serving events that provided 362 meals to Meals on Wheels recipients. She shared a letter of appreciation from the Meals on Wheels who were the benefactors of the funds raised. We will continue with this charity organization for year 2024. Gayle would like for Dennis (HOG Manager) to speak with Hannah (HDHD Events) on a meeting date that Gayle and Hannah can discuss the upcoming cooking events this year.

Mark (Webmaster) stated that he is currently working on updating the chapter webpage and changing all 2023 information to 2024. He also made changes to the “Chapter Board of Director’s” page by adding the new board members and, a new orange/black background.

Linda (LOH Officer) stated that LOH could utilize a room at BSU for the Saturday, January 20th LOH After Christmas Christmas (ACC) Ornament/White Elephant gift exchange but, free parking was not available. More information will be sent out via email. In addition, LOH will be sending out a six-question survey asking our LOH to provide suggestion/ideas for other events in 2024.

Art (Equipment Officer) stated that he had six canopies washed at a cost of \$60.

– Update

Jamie (Member At Large) stated that MAL will meet to discuss events for this year once the Ride Calendar meeting is sent. MAL would like to make sure that there will be no conflicts on the ride calendar that will cause MAL events to be moved. Also, they would like to make sure that there are no multiple rides on these set dates as well.

General Meeting:

Dennis (HOG Manager) began by stating that our members clocked in a total of 880,388 miles in 2023. He is hopeful that we can clock in 1 million by the end of 2024. Reminded us all of the “Beat Dennis Challenge”. This is a mileage challenge that began 1/1/2024 and will run through 3/29/2024. Dennis also recognized Kurt Camp (Chapter Member) with the most check-in (22) throughout 2023. He also recognized Kathy (Member at Large) and Lane Triplett (ICMS Rep). He presented them with a plaque which will be hung at the dealership “20,000+ Miles Year”. Kathy logged 22,111 and Lane Logged 21,053. In addition, he recognized Michael (Member at Large) with 17,345 miles and Cliff Lewis (Chapter Member) with 15,033 miles.

David (Director) introduced the 2024 new and returning board members. He also gave a special thanks to the 2023 ACCP committee members and volunteers. He also thanked all 130 members who attended.

Justin (Safety Officer) gave a brief introduction of himself and stated as the new safety officer, we will be providing a few raffle contests. The first will be awarded on 3/29 then on 5/31, 7/26 and 9/27. Contest rules are: come in for a safety check and receive a raffle ticket from Dennis, sign up for a ride course and receive a raffle ticket from Brian and; purchase protective riding gear from the clothing department. Prize value is \$50.00. Justin’s first topic of discussion was on Protective Gear Purchases” a few suggestions were HD Flex armored base layer “shirts and pants”, Noru Base Layer “Socks, Shirts/Pants, Balaclava...

Ron (Lead Road Captain) thanked those who came out for the Frozen Butt Ride. Stated that he is working on a meeting with the road captains and then, will schedule the

meeting for the calendar build of rides. If you are not a road captain and want to do a ride, then get with a road captain to get it on the calendar. Turned it over to Cliff Lewis. As Lead Road Captain for 2023, Cliff wanted to recognize all the 30 Road Captains.

Corinna (Assistant LOH) announced the Rockies to Pacific Event ~ June 19-22, 2025. She also announced the Rockies to Pacific Merchandise Art Contest. Stating that all Intermountain Chapter members are invited to submit their original artwork that, if chosen, will be used for the event merchandize and marketing campaign.

Wayne (Food Safety) introduced himself and briefed on how he was in need of cooks for the pancake and burger feeds. He also stated that he has sign-up sheets available. He stated that he will have a meeting at the dealership on Saturday, February 3rd. This will be a “refresher” of the requirements we must follow for our food handling during our cooking for the Pancake Breakfasts and Burger Burns at High Desert H-D. This is not a mandatory meeting but is recommended for current certification holders and especially for those new persons wishing to obtain a “Food Handler Certificate” to cook at our events.

Jamie (Members At Large) talked about possible events, 2 for 1, Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day. End of summer/fall event will be the end of September.

### **February:**

David (Director) gave an update on ROC Training – February 23 – 25th – Selected representatives: Ron (Lead Road Captain), Mark (Webmaster), Dawn (Membership), and Jamie (Member at Large). David will work on the hotel reservation and seminar confirmation and will send all the details to attendees. David asked that Ron take care of the car rental and coordinate a meeting location and time of departure to Salt Lake City

### **ACCP Survey Results ~**

Katherine (Assistant Director) briefed on ACCP Survey results. The survey result was shared with the board via email and discussed the following: with an 8.8% out of 10 overall rating. The high points were with the band at 9.44%. Location at a 9% and, Bar was 7.46%, food 6.76%. Some additional comments were received and one that stood out was that the theme was really cool. Dave (Director), Katherine, and Kathy (Member at Large) will be meeting with the consultants at the Nampa Civic Center later in the week to share our results. Katherine will be leading the charge for this year’s location.

Ron (Lead Road Captain) stated that the Road Captain meeting was held at the dealership this past Sunday, February 4. There were 21 in attendance. He mentioned that he is aware of a number of rides that will be added to the 2024 Calendar. Stated that the RC Calendar build is scheduled for Sunday, March 3rd at the dealership from 2-4pm.

Shannon (Editor) briefed on the By-Laws review. She started off by thanking the members in good standing who volunteered to review the Revised and Adopted December 2021 Chapter

ByLaws. Those members are: Cliff and Joanna Lewis (Chapter Members), Brett (Assistant Lead Road Captain), Jamie (Member at Large), Herb (Member at Large) and Shannon. Shannon provided the board with hard copies of the draft proposed changes. She asked that all in attendance review these proposed changes and if there are items that need additional suggestions to please share them in an email. The goal is to finalize the changes so that the document can be sent to our membership for approval.

Wayne (Food Safety) informed the group he has submitted the food safety application and that it has been approved. The recent food safety orientation was held and went well. He had 14 in attendance. He also mentioned that this year's breakfast feeds will have an alternative food selection. That being hashbrowns.! This item will be alternated every other breakfast feed.

Mark (Webmaster) spoke on some recent website changes... Events and History Report, Rockies to Pacific Art Contest, Event's page, Membership (is highlighted in yellow – color to possibly change) and in future LOH Events. Computer updates, Mark is looking at cost for two new computers. Corinna (Assistant LOH) stated that she could possibly get a us a teacher's discount. Mark will follow up with Corinna. David (Director) stated that changes need to be made to deleting verbiage with reference to "Club" words need to be changed to "Chapter or Group".

Corinna (Assistant LOH) stated that LOH would be sending out an email with a survey to seek out different new event ideas for this year. Tell LOH want you want to do.

Sherry (Merchandise) Asked if the board wanted to continue with the sale of 1st Aid Kts at the general meetings. The board was in agreement that these are a great selling item. Action: Board approved to purchase two additional cases. Purchasing of additional prizes can be reimbursed or can be placed on the chapter credit card.

Art (Equipment Officer) stated the grill cleaning is scheduled for Thursday, March 21.

Brett (Assistant Lead Road Captain) stated that he would like to address the unnecessary chatter that takes place during the monthly general meeting. Asking that David (Director) address this in the newsletter and at the meeting.

David (Director) asked for as many Members at Large greeter(s) at the door to welcome members as they enter the room at the general meetings.

General Meeting:

David (Director) mentioned the need to keep social time from 6-7pm. Stated that when the actual meeting begins at 7pm talking needs to be kept to a minimal and/or to have the courtesy to take non agenda conversation topic outside. He mentioned that we have four of our board members attending this year's Regional Officer Connection Training in Salt Lake City. Those in attendance are Jamie (Member at Large), Dawn (Membership), Ron (Lead Road Captain) and Mark (Webmaster).

Dennis (HOG Manager) wanted to bring to everyone's attention the new guidelines for 2024 regarding reported ride miles. A Rider and "Passenger (formerly referred as

Associate)” can each be associated with the same motorcycle VIN number, which makes it easy to record both members’ miles each time an odometer reading is taken. However, if your passenger is not a full member of HOG, he/she cannot share in this benefit and cannot earn rewards i.e. miles patches. Both the Rider and Passenger have to pay the same cost of \$59.00 each for membership to HOG.

Brett (Assistant Lead Road Captain) stated that the Road Captain Ride Calendar build is scheduled for Sunday, March 3rd at 2:00pm at the dealership, upstairs conference room.

He encouraged all member who have ride ideas to please get together with a road captain to talk about your ride. Brett also wanted to recognize the 2023 road captains who were not in attendance last month. Recognitions went to Mike Mowder, Lane Triplett and Art Brenenstahl.

Shannon (Editor) talked about our chapter By-Laws that are up for a review and necessary updates. She wanted to thank the volunteer committee who have reviewed and have made suggested changes/updates for the Board review and approval on March 3rd. She thanked Brett and Jamie Allis, Cliff and Joanna Lewis and Herb Weston. Upon the review of the suggested changes/updates and approval from the board of directors, the updated by-laws will be presented to the full membership via an email. A vote for approval will be conducted at the next general meeting in March.

Shannon also stated that the Rockies to Pacific art work contest was due this evening. Thanking those who submitted their original artwork entries and stated that a winner will be notified soon.

Greg (Treasurer) briefed that new member orientation has been calendared for April 13th at 11:30am following the pancake feed at the dealership.

Linda (LOH) spoke regarding the 2024 LOH survey that was sent out via email. She stated that out of the 105 LOH current members only 20 surveys were received. There is still a great interest in the annual Christmas ornament gift exchange and Coed Bunco. There were other ideas suggested as well. Linda also stated that she and Corinna (Assistant LOH) will be working on building a calendar for other LOH events.

Bob (Member At Large) stated that the members at large currently have three events that will be placed on the ride calendar. The first being May 5th Cinco de Mayo, an event in August and around the end of September for the fall picnic.

### **March:**

Greg (Treasurer) provided an update on the two-replacement computers which were approved by the board last month. Stated that the computer for Membership is up and working. He did mention that both he and Mark (Webmaster) had experienced some issues with the transferring of the Quicken software. Until this download issue can be completed, he will continue to utilize the older machine.

David (Director) stated that Harley Officer Connection (HOC) is only accessible to nine board members. Going forward, Mark (Webmaster) will replace Justin (Safety Officer) so Mark will automatically receive the HOC newsletter. David will forward the newsletter to all other members of the board.

Kathy (Member At Large) spoke on behalf of M@L. She stated that they have three events on the calendar for this year. The first will be Cinco de Mayo Ride then the Fall Picnic and, she stated that Michael (Members At Large) has suggested a ride to Twin Falls to participate in the Magic Valley Speedway parade and race “Eve of Destruction and Fireworks” which will be held on Saturday, August 17th.

Shannon (Editor) presented a condensed copy of the By-Laws highlighting in yellow with the proposed changes suggested by the committee for board approval. Action Item: Board approved all changes. Next steps, send these proposed changes to the full membership via chapter email. Asking that members carefully read over these changes and be prepared to vote on their approval at the March 28th General meeting. The revised By-Laws will need a 2/3rd majority of those present at the meeting to pass.

She went on to say the artwork contest for Rockies to Pacific event has closed and that there are a number of good contenders. The next step is to take the artwork to Fully Promoted Printing and see how they will align with the Rockies to Pacific proposed merchandise. She also stated that the Rockies to Pacific website will go live: April 1, 2024.

Sherry (Merchandise) stated that Rockers have been received from Mother HOG. She stated that she is still waiting on the 1st Aide Kits to arrive. Also mentioned that she purchased \$300 in dealership merchandize that will be part of the door prize giveaway at the general meeting throughout this calendar year. David (Director) stated that any board member that does not have their rocker, please let Sherry know so that she can get them ordered.

Art (Equipment Officer) stated that he submitted \$170 in receipts to the Treasurer for the purchase of propane tanks/plates etc. for the various cooking events this year. He also mentioned that he still needs to do repairs to the storage shed and that after the hash brown test cooking, he will be cleaning the grills.

Herb (Member at Large) stated that it has been brought to his attention that there have been unfavorable racial/political conversations at meetings and chapter rides. David (Director) stated that he will address these issues at our next general meeting and/or in the March newsletter.

Kathy (Member at Large) stated that the Great North West Chapter will be riding into Boise this July 12 – 14th. Kathy stated that she would like the board to consider riding with the group on Saturday, July 13. She then mentioned that an open ride will be sent to the full membership for a ride on Sunday, July 14th.

General Meeting:

David (Director) spoke on making new members feeling welcome. How as a group, if you are a road captain on one of the bigger day rides and you see members that are alone or isolating themselves, I would suggest you go up to them and engage in conversation and make them feel more wanted and at home. He also stated that as a new member he suggested that you participate in the smaller social activities we have like overnight rides, volunteer events, and LOH events.

He went on to some issues with individuals not being “politically correct”. He stated that could be anything from off-color remarks to jokes to general conversations where the subject of race, religion, sexual orientation, and even political preference are brought up.

He stated that we are a very diverse group and we need to be aware of those around us that may not share our point of view or in some cases find the things we say to be downright offensive.

He concluded by saying that the by-laws have been updated and it was now time for members to approved these changes. He stated that the board would need to have 2/3 majority approval by members who are in attendance at this meeting. He asked for all in favor of the updates to raise their hands. Action: By-Laws were approved with the required 2/3 majority. David then gave thanks to the committee members who worked on these updates.

Dennis (HOG Manager) announced the names of the “Beat Dennis Challenge”. 1st Place: Kurt Kahm ~ 3,076 miles, 2nd Place: Brett Allies ~ 2,477 miles and 3rd Place: Jamie Allies ~ 2,252miles. Honorable mentions were announced. Dennis came in 13th place ~ 773 miles.

Linda (LOH Officer) stated that the next LOH upcoming event would be Hunk’s the perfect girls’ night out on Monday, April 8th at 7pm. Performance at the Watson’s Mystery Café in Boise.

Shannon (Editor) updated the group on Rockies to Pacific. She stated that the winners of the art contest have been postponed until next month’s general meeting due to marketing delays.

Lane Triplett (ICMS) reported that nothing new with our legislative bodies but, he did say that Parental Drivers Training was still in discussions specifically for rural areas. He also announced the ICMS Motorcycle Awareness Ride on May 4th. More information will follow.

Michael (Member At Large) announced the upcoming Spring Kick-off Cinco de Mayo event on May 5th. There will be a short ride planned which will take all riders to the Middleton Place Park for a taco feed. He stated that a chapter email will go out to our members as this will be a RSVP needed event. Michael also spoke about the Magic Valley Speedway Pre-Ceremony Ride with the Twin Falls chapter on August 17th. He stated that more information would follow.

## April:

David (Director) asked Dennis (HOG Manager) to check on liability insurance coverage at events hosted at the dealership property. Dennis stated that he would report back with an answer.

David (Director) board approved the purchase of an additional wired mic to be used as a backup. The cost will be applied in the budget as equipment.

Michael (Member at Large) stated that the May 5th Cinco de Mayo is in the making. Park reservations have been set and food menu has been selected. Chapter email was sent announcing the date with RSVP requirements. M@L also wanted to know if the chapter should charge nonmembers guest? Action: Approval of a \$10.00 fee would be required. It was also mentioned that M@L was working on two other events. That being the ride out to Twin Falls to participate in the Magic Valley Speedway Pre-Ceremony “Eve of Destruction and Fireworks” on August 17th. More information to follow and, the Fall Picnic.

Dawn (Membership) led a brief discussion on New Member Orientation. Question: how should we handle future scheduling, topics for discussions etc. Action: Tabled for future date.

Mason (Historian) provided an update on Patriot Thunder taking place on 23rd. Mason stated that Katerine (Assistant Director) could use two volunteers to help in the parking lot at the dealership.

Art (Equipment) was not present at tonight’s meeting. Cheryl Brenenstahl was present to speak on his behalf. The item for discussion was the cost of replacing just the hardware of the canopy damaged by the wind at an earlier pancake feed or replace the whole set. Cheryl provided quotes for review. Action: Justin Smith offered to inquire with a vendor that he has worked with and will provide us with a reasonable replacement cost. Item has been tabled until next month.

Katherine (Assistant Director) stated that they have secured the band Straight Away for the 2025 After Christmas Christmas Party. Katherine also stated that she secured the date of January 11, 2025 at the Nampa Civic Center.

### General Meeting:

Dennis (HOG Manager) gave a quick tutorial on the new HOG app. He stated that it is important for all members to activate this app. He stated HD will no longer mail redeemable certificates as they will be sent to this HD app. He also briefed the dealership currently has 71,760 miles, we are #7 in the region and #31 in the nation.

John (Member at Large) talked about the Rockies 2 Pacific event that will take place June 19 through 20, 2025. He also announced the art contest winner Judy Tallada (Chapter Member). Judy’s winning artwork will be on all merchandise items that will be for sale during the open enrollment and at the event.

Linda (LOH Officer) and Katherine (Assistant Director) offered a free class on personal safety presented by members of the Meridian Police Dept. After receiving a favorable

response from those in attendance, Linda and Katherine will move forward with scheduling this event.

### **May:**

Dennis (HOG Manager) briefed dealership currently has 96,186 miles reported, #7 in region, #27 in the nation. Dennis also mentioned that 190 members have signed up for Ride 365. Dennis stated there are reported issues with the app and Samsung phones. Road Captains do not have to report rides with this app. Dennis also gave a quick tutorial.

Greg (Treasurer) informed the group that the issue of uploading the Quick Book software has been resolved with the help of Mark Rowan. He also stated that the 2023 #990 tax forms have been finalized and submitted.

Greg (Treasurer) wanted to share a personal concern that transpired during a recent chapter ride. Inappropriate political comments were directed toward a board member by a chapter member. There was a lengthy discussion as to how to manage the issue. It was determined that David (Director) and Dennis (HOG Manager) would address this issue with the member. David stated that he would provide the board with an update after his discussion with the member.

Katherine (Assistant Director) briefed she will be hosting an ACCP committee kickoff meeting on Thursday, June 6th, 6:30 PM at her residence.

Bob (Member At Large) briefed about the cancellation of the 5 May event due to weather safety concerns. Members at large will consider a rescheduling or a combined event later in the year.

Anna (Assistant Photographer) proposed an idea to have a suggestion box (Feed the HOG Box) available to the members during the general meetings. Any suggestions dropped into the box would be addressed at the current meeting by the current director/board members. Approved Wayne (Food Safety) stated he has inserted two new gas hoses (OPD) onto the griddles.

### **Justin Smith – Safety Update**

Jason (Safety Officer) stated that he would like to have a representative from Life Flight come to speak at the May general meeting. However, he is having difficulty reaching a representative. Katherine (Assistant Director) stated that she has a contact person and will forward Jason that information.

Jeff (Photographer) briefed the group on the Photo Contest. The theme of the contest is five for 365, Capturing Your Ride. Participants are encouraged to highlight creativity and fun in their images, capturing the essence of their motorcycle journeys. Participants must be an active Intermountain HOG chapter member and registered with the Intermountain HOG 365 ride program to be eligible to enter the contest. Participants can submit their best motorcycle ride photos taken between June 1, 2024, and September 27, 2024. Each participant can submit up to five photos. Jeff and Anna will finalize the contest rules and have handouts available at the next general meeting.

Art (Equipment Officer) briefed there are two 7-gallon propane tanks that will need to be recertified. Canopy side balls that are clipped on to the legs of the canopies have worn out and need to be replaced. Request to purchase replacements. Action item: Board approved.

John (Member at Large) update on R2P. He stated that the committee has selected the Marriott Courtyard as the host hotel. The contract states that a fifty room per night guarantee must meet (80%). Room rates will be \$189 per night. John is requesting board approval to move forward with signing the contract to secure all rooms. Approved. He also requested a reimbursement of \$52.50 for additional web/domain. Approved

Anna (Assistant Photographer) proposed we have a poster board that shows the current dealership mileage to share with the members at the general meeting? Katherine (Assistant Director) took the lead on the initiative.

General Meeting:

Dennis (HOG Manager) informed the group we are #3 in the Region and #18 in the Nation. He also announced that those individuals who are still having difficulties with the ride 365 app, our member Bill Ream will be conducting a training on the usage of the app at his home. More information will be sent out via chapter e-mail.

David (Director) displayed the new Ride 365 poster that will be displayed at each general meeting. The ride 365 poster will show the most up to date miles recorded at the dealership throughout the year. It will also show our dealership rankings in all categories i.e., Nation, Regional.

Dawn (Membership) announced the upcoming New Member Orientation that will be held on Saturday, June the 8th beginning at 10:00 in the dealership upstairs conference room.

Anna (Assistant Photographer) and Dawn (Membership) presented the new Feed the Hog suggestion box. Anna stated that this box will be available at every general meeting. Any member who has a concern or a suggestion is welcome to drop their form into the box and during the meeting, our board members will do their best to address any issue or a suggestion that evening. Anna went on to state that there would be forms available at the dealership near the membership box. You can drop your form in the membership box or bring it with you to the meeting.

Jeff (Photographer) and Anna (Assistant Photographer) presented the 2024 photo contest. Photos are to be taken while on your motorcycle journeys. Further rules and regulations of this contest outlined in a flyer that Anna circulated and sent in a chapter e-mail.

## **June:**

Death of Chapter Member:

Curtis James (Jim) Fankboner

Born April 30,1942 in Lansing Michigan

Started a new journey on June 14, 2024 in Caldwell Idaho

Jim graduated from Reseda High School in Los Angeles California in 1960. He entered the Army in 1963 and departed in 1974. While in the military he traveled the world as a communications Technician.

Jim was proceeded in death by his mother, father and stepfather. He leaves behind a wife, Donna Fankboner of Caldwell, 2 children Carl Lemke (Reana) of Caldwell and Ilo Olin (Bill) of Billings Montana. 8 Grandchildren and 23 Great grandchildren.

Jim was a very intelligent man and would talk to you about anything you wanted to talk about. If he didn't know the answer, he would find it for you. He was a jack of all trades and a master of most. He loved his cars, guns and his motorcycles. He also loved to play pinochle and rubbed it in when he won. But only playfully. He was a friend, husband, father, grandpa and great grandpa that loved his family and they will always love and miss him forever.

There will be a celebration of life pot luck at 1515 Boise Ave Caldwell ID on July 20th starting at 2pm and going until whenever. Donna has requested that you please RSVP: [dboner2@msn.com](mailto:dboner2@msn.com) or text her at 208-250-7246

David (Director) stated that the Eagles Lodge is now asking the chapter to sign a one-year rental contract. There will be no increase in the monthly fees. They would also like to offer the chapter individual membership at the lodge at a rate of \$40 per year. David also stated that the member issue referenced last month has been addressed.

Katherine (Assistant Director) reminded the board that she would be hosting the ACCP committee kickoff meeting on Thursday, June 6th, 6:30 PM at her residence.

Michael (Member At Large) will provide additional information to the chapter via email for the Twin Falls Race Night. He stated that it would be helpful to get a headcount as to who all plan to make this trip. M@L has also reserved the park in Middleton for the Fall Picnic Ride on September 29th.

Anna Assistant Photographer) presented her proposed calendar pricing for the 2025-chapter calendar. That proposal came from the company utilized last year a full promoted. There is a minor increase in calendar cost for the coming year. It was suggested that we ask the chapter members what size calendar they would like for the upcoming year. More information will be provided at a later. Anna also provided the Feed the Hog suggestion box questionnaire for board review. This form will be available at the general meetings, dealership membership box and sent in an email.

Art (Equipment Officer) stated that the two 7-gallon propane tanks have now been certified and are good for the next 5 years and side panels have been replaced. Art will speak with whoever is in charge as to what the dealership would like to do with the old rodeo equipment as he is trying to make room in the storage shed.

## General Meeting:

Dennis (HOG Manager) stated that this month's reported mileage is 250,757. We are #1 in the Region and #13 in the Nation. Currently there are 219 bikes that have been registered with Ride 365. He also recognized Bill Ream (Chapter Member) and Brett (Assistant Lead Road Captain) for hosting a class on the Ride 365 App and maps. He also recognized all Chapter members who have downloaded a ride map and used it/or who had designed a ride map any individuals were recognized.

Jeff (Photographer) presented the 2024 photo contest. Photos are to be taken while on your motorcycle journeys. Further rules and regulations of this contest outlined in a flyer that Anna circulated around the room.

Katherine (Assistant Director) gave an update on the upcoming Meridian PD Personal Safety Class. This class is scheduled for Monday, July 8th from 6:00 – 7:30pm. There is still open availability so, please RSVP. She referenced that the location address has changed and that she would have the address updated on the HOG Chapter Calendar.

Michael (Member At Large) spoke on an upcoming event that M@L is putting together on Saturday, August 17th. M@L will be leading a group out to Twin Falls to the Magic Valley Speedway. This would be an overnight stay. Hotel accommodations are in the works. An email will be sent out to the chapter announcing this event with a required headcount to enter the Magic Valley Speedway festivities.

## **July:**

Dennis (HOG Manager) stated that the chapter is #1 in the Region and we are ranked #12 in the Nation. The average chapter member's mileage is 1,265.

David (Director) gave an update on the HOG Suggestion Box. Submittals have been held for next month's meeting. However, all suggestions will be shared with the director. Should the director determine that there is merit to share with the executive board members, the director will forward and request feedback.

Katherine stated that our contact at the Nampa Civic Center is no longer there. The center is currently under new management. Katherine stated that she received a new proposed rate for the 2025 ACCP party. This increase is an additional \$1,400.00. Katherine plans to meet with the center's salesperson in the upcoming weeks to go over the additional costs and will provide an update at the next board meeting.

Katherine (Assistant Director) stated that the next ACCP committee meeting will be on August 15th @ 6:30pm. She also mentioned that she has secured a graphic artist for the theme artwork. After a group vote, the theme for next year's party will be "Masquerade."

Kathy (Member At Large) discussed the August "Speedway" ride to Twin Falls. Stated that an email would be going out to the chapter. A request for ride RSVPs would be requested as the

speedway is looking for a head count. Kathy also mentioned that a block of hotel rooms has been secured should riders wish to stay overnight. Contact information for the hotel will be made available in the email.

Sherry (Merchandise) mentioned that she has received interest from new members regarding chapter T-shirts. After discussion, the board suggested that she solicit a membership interest at the next general meeting. This would be a prepaid purchase as in past years.

Corinna (Assistant LOH) mentioned the Meridian PD personal safety class at the Meridian public safety training center is scheduled for Monday July 8th at 6:00 PM. E-mail notification with an RSVP request was sent out to the chapter membership.

Art (Equipment Officer) provided an update on the old rodeo equipment that belongs to the dealership. He stated that he spoke with Mark (Sponsor), and it was agreed that all this equipment can be disposed of. Art also stated that he needed to purchase additional materials for the canopies. That total purchase was \$20, and he is seeking reimbursement. Board Action: Approved

Dawn (Membership) stated that the New Member Orientation is tentatively scheduled for October 12th.

Katherine (Assistant Director) reminded members of the Celebration of Life on July 20th for a fallen chapter member Jim Fankboner. Mason (Historian) Clarke agreed to lead the chapter procession.

Herb (Member at Large) briefed Riders in the Sky more than likely will have a price increase in catering this year.

General Meeting:

Mark (Sponsor) gave thanks to all members who volunteered at the dealership during Patriot Thunder and to those who helped the dealership with the transporting of bikes during the bike sale which took place at the Village in Meridian. A special congratulations to the chapter for being #1 in the region, #10 in the nation. Mark asked John (Member at Large) to come up and speak about the 1st Annual Rockies2Pacific Event that will take place here in Boise in June of 2025. John stated that an email blast would be going out and that the event presale went live tonight. Asked to spread the word and signed up.

David (Director) mentioned that we have received a suggestion from a member to shorten the ride descriptions to shorten the General Membership Meetings.

Herb (Member at Large) led a brief discussion on the Riders in the Sky memorial ride. This is an RSVP ride. Food will be available for active chapter members. Those wishing to bring a guest will need to pay for those in attendance.

**August:**

Death of Chapter Member: Gary Seamon died 8/16 from injuries suffered from an accident while riding his trike. His wife Mardell survived the accident with injuries.

Dennis (HOG Manager) stated the chapter is number one in the region, top twenty in the nation. The chapter is currently at 418,639 reported miles.

David (Director) briefed on the suggestions that came in from the "Feed the HOG" suggestion box. The first being a suggestion to limit the upcoming ride discussions from the road captains during the general meetings. David stated that he has signed a revised contract with the Eagle Lodge. The revision was to reflect the removal of a \$50.00 room rental deposit. David said that he received a request from Guardians of the Children to announce raffle at the next General Meeting. After board discussion, it was determined that David would reach back out to Guardians of the Children and advise the organization that they are welcome to drop off flyers that will be placed on the tables at the next general meeting. However, based on chapter bylaws they would not be able to come and speak at a meeting. The second suggestion was to offer a learn about/serving on the board overview to the membership. After board discussion it was suggested that available board positions should be on an agenda item for the next general meeting.

Katherine (Assistant Director) briefed that she met with the sales representative at the Nampa Civic Center regarding the January ACCP party. She stated that they reviewed the existing contract, and it was determined that we would get a \$200.00 deduction for the lobby cost. She also mentioned that once the Civic Center learned that we were a nonprofit organization, they extended an additional 10% off on this event. So, we have a total of a \$400.00 discount. Katherine stated that the contract has been signed and that a check for \$500 was issued for the initial deposit. The remaining balance will then be due seven days prior to the January 2025 event. Katherine also mentioned the next committee meeting is scheduled for August 15.

John (Member at Large) gave an update on the Rockies2Pacific. The current registration count since the opening launch date of August, 1st there are currently seventy-six individuals that have registered.

Michael (Member At Large) stated that there are thirty-nine attendees that will be participating in the Twin Falls Magic Valley Speedway overnight ride on August 24th.

Anna (Assistant Photographer) gave the results of the 2025-chapter calendar survey. The bottomline consensus is that the calendar size would be twelve by twelve and that members would be open to paying an additional \$5 for each calendar. After meeting with Fully Promoted, the cost of producing calendars based on quality ordered would range between \$18.82 (50) - \$20.14 (75).

So, moving forward the chapter will promote a twelve-by-twelve calendar at a cost of \$25. Calendars will be prepaid ordering.

Shannon (Editor) mentioned that articles for the newsletter would be due to her no later than August 14th. She also requested that any open board position descriptions should also be placed in this upcoming newsletter.

Art (Equipment Officer) stated that the griddle situation that occurred at the last breakfast feed has been fixed. He does not anticipate any other issues. Art did purchase a 24x12 inch steel griddle for future usage. Art also mentioned that the dealership has offered their BBQ/griddle as well. It was determined that Art should prepare an inventory chart of all equipment currently held in the equipment shed. This should also include all computers and other electrical devices.

Herb (Member at Large) spoke on the upcoming Riders in the Sky BBQ memorial ride. Herb wanted to let the board know that the cost of food has increased slightly. This year's cost will be **\$17.89 per person.**

### **General Meeting:**

David (Director) provided information on the passing of our members Gary Seamon. He stated that funeral arrangements would be held on Friday, September 27th at the Cloverdale Funeral Home at 8:30am followed by a procession to the Veteran Cemetery.

Dennis (HOG Manager) congratulated the chapter for moving up to # 6 in the nation, #2 in the region. He stated that the chapter has a total of miles 571,517 recorded. Dennis also stated that Bill Ream would be hosting an additional tutorial on the revised Intermountain HOG Ride App.

Jeff and Anna (Photographers) announced that the 2025 Intermountain Chapter Calendars are now available for pre-sale and orders are being accepted beginning tonight and through October 4th. They also spoke on the 5 for 365 Photo contest.

### **September:**

Dennis (HOG Manager) stated that Mark (Sponsor) wanted to thank the chapter on the use of Ride 365. Also wanted to express his condolences for the recent passing of chapter member Greg Seamon. Dennis also stated that due to recent complaints that Mark has received and after Mark speaking with the Idaho State Police on riding recommendations, Dennis stated that per Mark, going forward all trike riders are to be positioned in the back of ride formation on all chapter rides.

David (Director) addressed a member complaint that was received anonymously in the suggestion box. All board members reviewed this letter. After discussion, it was determined that David will address this person's letter in the upcoming chapter newsletter. In addition, road captains will need to be more specific on their ride write ups going forward so that riders are not surprised on the course they will be traveling.

Bob (Member at Large) on the Russ Briney/Jeff Chernoff (Chapter Members) Accident. He gave an update on his ride and spoke on what he thought was the possible cause of the accident and other safety issues that Russ Briney caused during the ride. The board agreed that Dave

(Director), Katherine (Assistant Director), Dennis (HOG Manager), and Mark (Sponsor) would meet with Russ Briney.

Dawn (Membership) proposed a New Member Orientation on October 12th for the next.

Approved

Katherine (Assistant Director) requested a budget increase of \$700 for next year's ACCP. This represents an increase from the Nampa Civic Center (NCC) costs and other party item needs. Last year's event cost not including food was \$6,500. With this increase request, the new cost for the venue will be \$7,200. Katherine also mentioned that she has a meeting scheduled for Friday, September 22nd with the caterers and NCC staff to discuss menu and other room set-up requests. Board Action: Approval of the additional \$700. Katherine also mentioned that Judy Tallada (Chapter Member) is working on the registration and party announcement poster.

She went on to brief that she was invited to participate in a zoom call from Bay Area Director's Group (BAD). This is a group of directors who meet monthly to see how other chapters are doing with their chapter membership. Katherine feels that this is a good reference tool and is looking for approval from the board to join this group. Board Action: Approval to join this group.

Michael (Member At Large) stated that the Magic Valley Speedway was a great hit. He stated that this will be an annual event, and that the speedway welcomes our return next year. He also stated that the fall picnic is in the works and will be scheduled on Sunday, September 29th. The park has been reserved, rsvp of attendance will be required.

John (Member at Large) gave an update on the registration count for Rockies2Pacific. As of this meeting, there are 110 registered for the R2P. He also stated that there are currently twenty-four hotel room reservations.

### **General Meeting:**

Dennis (HOG Manager) stated that under Ride 365, the chapter is ranked #1 in the Region, #5 in the Nation and, chapter mileage is at 690,184.

Shannon (Editor) briefed that new member orientation will take place at the dealership on Saturday, October 12th at 2:00pm.

Anna (Assistant Photographer) announced that tonight would be the last night of the preorder 2025 calendars table sales. She stated that you can still drop off your calendar orders up through October 5th at the dealership. She also mentioned that the deadline for the five for 365 photo contest was approaching. Reminding all to submit your photos to Jeff before or on October 5th.

Linda (LOH) reminded the group that the Ladies of Harley will be hosting a Bling Party this Saturday, October 28th at the Red Fort of India restaurant near the dealership. The event begins at 11:30am thru 2:30pm and there is still room for those who have not yet RSVP'd.

Bob (Member at Large) announced the upcoming Fall Picnic scheduled for Sunday, September 28th. He gave a brief description of the short chapter ride prior to lunch at the park. Food selection will be Mexican so, come hungry.

Katherine (Assistant Director) and Mason (Historian) made a grand entrance in costume to announce the upcoming ACCP party. Next year's theme is HOG Masquerade Ball. Katherine stated that the board heard/read all the comments from this year's survey and was happy to announce there would be additional options on meal selection, increase of cost etc. A chapter email with information/registration forms will be sent to the chapter in the upcoming weeks.

Gayle (Activities Officer) announced that this year's Meals on Wheels donation will be in the amount of \$2,072.00. She also thanked all volunteers for this year's success.

Shannon (Editor) called Judy Tallada (Chapter Member) to come up so that she could congratulate her on the excellent graphic designs she produced for the upcoming ACCP party.

### **October:**

Dennis Peck (HOG Manager) and Mark Dukes (Sponsor) addressed the board on various suggestions on how to make the chapter safer, with Mark expressing his concern on trike position during chapter rides. Dennis also stated that there were various prior-year complaints specifically singling out trikes and their position within the group. Dennis further stated that the information from the Idaho State Police recommended that trikes ride in the back of the group.

Mark noted that the survey should go back 3 to 4 years. He also stated that he wanted to see the names associated with the surveys. David (Director) stated that names were submitted with each survey, and he will forward a clean copy. Mark did express that he believes that the board will do what is best for the safety of the chapter. His overall concern was the safety of the chapter. When asked specifically why trikes were unsafe, Dennis stated that the consensus from the Idaho State Police was that the two-wheel riders do not tend to see the extended wheelbase of the trikes when riding behind the trike. This has caused two wheelers to run into the back of the trikes causing an accident. Going forward, as we are now at the end of our riding season, updated safety instructions and further discussions would be held with the Director, Lead Road Captain, Mark, and Dennis.

Dawn (Membership) mentioned that she would be at the dealership on Saturday, October 12th to take membership renewals and hold the new member orientation that same date.

Katherine (Assistant Director) participated via teleconference. She wanted to remind the ACCP committee that the next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 10th @ 7pm at her residence. Katherine stated that there were no new updates with the Bay Area Director's Group. She also provided an update on the current subscription the chapter has with Chapter Manager. The managing company of this database is seeking monthly membership dues in the amount of \$75.00. Katherine stated that she proposed that the chapter pay an annual fee of \$225

a year. Katherine states that she will provide the board with an update as soon as the managing company calls her back. If the proposal is not accepted by the managing company, the board will need to find another option for chapter electronic communications.

Bob (Member at Large) stated that the fall picnic was a great hit. There were 72-chapter members in attendance. The catered food was also a hit.

John (Member at Large) John stated that headcount for the R2P is currently at 120. He and Bev stated that they would be heading out to Salt Lake City to meet with the dealership there to talk about the event.

### **General Meeting:**

David (Director) opened the meeting with a call for nominations for 2025 board positions. The first nomination was for the Assistant Director, Bob Anderson was nominated. The second position was for the Secretary, Maria "Mia" Murray was nominated. The final position was for Treasurer, Greg Renn was nominated. David thanked all and stated that voting would take place during the Friends Thanksgiving Dinner in December. He reminded the group that there would be no general meeting for the month of November.

Dennis (HOG Manager) gave an update on Ride 365. The chapter has a reported 776,000 miles (89,000 short from last year). The chapter is current #1 in the Region and # 5 in the Nation. He also mentioned that the dealership will be sponsoring a Fall Colors Food Ride on November 16th. The dealership is looking for volunteers from the chapter road captains.

Jeff (Photographer) and Anna (Assistant Photographer) displayed the three winning entries for the photo contest. First place went to Bev Tessin, second place went to Gayle Day and third place went to Cheryl Brenenstahl.

Shannon (Editor) announced that she is now accepting volunteers for the upcoming holiday gift wrapping at HDHD. Gift wrapping will begin on Friday, November 29th and will run through Tuesday, December 24th. Shannon mentioned that an email was sent to the chapter with the schedule and that she had a sign-up sheet at the meeting tonight. Katherine (Assistant Director) gave a brief update on next year's ACCP. She stated that there was no cap on seating because the venue can accommodate all members. She stated that costumes were not a requirement. Katherine mentioned that a block of rooms is currently being held at the Best Western Hotel directly next door to the party venue. The room rate is \$139 for those who do not wish to drive home after the event. Katherine also mentioned that an early bird drawing would be announced on the evening of Friendsgiving for a free night stay at the hotel.

Lane (ICMS) gave a brief update on the following topics. Right to Repair, Right to Modify, Renewable Fluids and Internal Combustion Engines.

### **November:**

Dennis (HOG Manager) mentioned that the dealership is in need to road captains for the upcoming Food Bank Ride being held on Saturday, November 16th. Ride would start at 10:00am and ride would be no more than 1 1/2 hours.

Katherine (Assistant Director) provided the board with an update on the 2025 board positions.

Katherine (Assistant Director) provided an ACCP update. We are on target. Sherry (Merchandise) stated that she will be meeting with Corinna and Linda (LOH) will be meeting to purchase gift from the dealership on November 15th.

Katherine (Assistant Director) provided a Friendsgiving update. She stated that she will prepare a write-up to be sent to the chapter announcing the upcoming event. She mentioned that she will also provide an absentee ballot for the elections that will take place that evening for the 2025 board positions. Additional discussions were: meal sign-ups, purchasing quantities of protein, room set-up, Meals on Wheels presentation and standard agenda topics during the gathering.

Jeff (Photographer) stated that the 2025 calendar design and formatting has been completed. Sales this year are 28 calendars sold.

Sherry (Merchandise) stated that she has 40 total T-Shirt sales. However, she is short on sweatshirt sales. She mentioned that she needs additional orders to make the minimum requirement. Sherry requested that another chapter email go out for a last sales pitch.

Shannon (Editor) on behalf of John Tessin stated that ongoing communications are going forward with over 107 dealerships being notified about R2P. She stated that the Treasure Valley Black Sheep are on board and will communicate with their national headquarters. In addition, all who have registered to this event need to be a paid current member to HOG and all Event Volunteers need to purchase a registration. The current registration count is at 131.

Shannon (Editor) stated that she has 90 slots still in need to be filled for the upcoming HD Holiday Gift Wrapping beginning November 29th. She stated that in addition to the giftwrapping paper provided by the dealership, additional paper and gift tags have been purchased.

Katherine (Assistant Director) gave an update on the recent teleconference call with Bay Area Directors (BAD). Stated that Bill Davis was on the call. Regional Traveling Rallies registrations will also include hotel room cost going forward. North meets South flyer has gone out and you can now register (May 22-25, 2025) however hosting dealership is still up in the air. She also mentioned that Bill Davis did an analysis on Ride 365 and our chapter is #1 in the program with 55% participation.

### **December:**

Katherine (Assistant Director) stated that the early bird ACCP ticket purchase date is tomorrow, December 3rd. Katherine stated that she would be sending out a reminder chapter email regarding the ACCP. The mailbox at the dealership will continue to be monitored for any additional ticket purchases. Katherine also mentioned that she will have additional registration forms available at Friendsgiving. The ACCP early bird registration winner will be announced

that evening. Katherine mentioned that there will be an ACCP masquerade mask making event on Saturday, January 6th. An announcement will be sent via the Chapter Manager.

Katherine (Assistant Director) stated that going forward in 2025 the Board Meetings will now begin at 6:00pm. The first meeting of the new year will be held on Tuesday, January 7th. Katherine stated that in the past all non-returning 2024 board members be present at this first meeting.

Linda (LOH) wanted to remind everyone of the Ladies of Harley Christmas Ornament/White Elephant party this Sunday, December 8th at Rocky Mountain Pizza in Kuna beginning at Noon.

### **General Meeting:**

Gayle (Activities Officer) welcomed Grant Jones, Representative for Meals on Wheels, and presented a check in the amount of \$2,072.00. This donation could not have happened if it were not for all the wonderful customers during cooking events at the dealership. Grant thanked the chapter and stated that this gift will feed over five hundred seniors. He also extended a thank you from the board of directors at Meals on Wheels.

David (Director) announced the results for the 2025 officer election. David announced that Bob Anderson will be the chapter's new Assistant Director, Maria "Mia" Murray as Secretary, and Greg Renn returning as Treasurer.

Mark (Sponsor) expressed his appreciation to the chapter for all the chapter has done throughout the year. He announced upcoming events at the dealership throughout the month of December. Dennis (HOG Manager) stated that the chapter is currently #2 in the Region, 144 Ride 365 members, and total mileage is 855,851.

David (Director) announced the winner of his State Park Challenge. He stated that this was a close challenge that ended in a tie. He asked Ron (Lead Road Captain) and Sherry (Merchandise) and Brett (Assistant Lead Road Captain) Jamie (Member at Large) to come to the front of the room. The winner was determined by picking a dealership challenge coin. Brett and Jamie were the winners and David presented him with a plaque of all the state parks visited along with two gift certificates.

David (Director) and Katherine (Assistant Director) announced the ACCP early bird contest winner: Justin Schill. Justin will receive a free night paid hotel room the evening of the ACCP.

David (Director) acknowledged all 2024 board members and presented them with certificates of appreciation.

