

Intermountain Chapter HOG (1255) Historical Report 1991

Officers:

Director: Bud Springer

Co-Director: Dwight Wichman

Secretary: Jack Chapman

Treasurer: Bud Hollett

Road Captain: Bill Thomas

Sponsor: Dick Rockrohr

Board Activities:

January:

Bud suggested that the chapter charter be revised to make official the positions of Co-Director and Secretary. Approved

Dwight is attempting to make contact with other HOG chapters within a 600-mile radius.

Dwight was contacted by Brother Speed MC about a "Motorcyclist Blood Draw Day" to support our armed forces deployed to Saudi Arabia. The idea will be brought before the membership.

Dick announced Cycle Nuts and Bolts will be holding a swap meet and offered the hamburger and hotdog concession to the chapter. The offer will be presented to the membership.

Membership Meeting:

A required helmet bill is being introduced. Members were urged to call the legislature to voice their opinions.

Brother Speed MC contacted the Red Cross about the "Motorcyclist Blood Draw Day". The Red Cross will designate a date, time, and place for the proposed event.

Bud briefed the membership on the proposed position changes for the chapter charter.

A motion was made to provide free memberships to our members deployed to Saudi Arabia. Approved

The president of the Banana Belt Cruisers MC approached Bud with a request to join the chapter. Bud will discuss with the sponsor.

Brother Speed MC member Joe Lewis addressed the membership about problems between members of the two clubs. He assured problems will be handled swiftly between the clubs' president and director. He also announced the weekly Iraqi flag burning ceremony at their club house and invited all to attend.

Bud introduced newlyweds John and Barbara Greener.

February:

Bud received a letter of appreciation from Canyon County Head Start for the Toys for Tots event. To show their appreciation, the children want to put on a skit for the chapter. Bud will work out the details.

Chapter rockers "IDA-HOG Boise Chapter" and "Charter Member" patches are now available. Coasts are \$13.50 and \$3.50 respectively.

Bud stated membership dues are payable (per chapter by-laws) within the first 60 days of the new year. After discussion it was agreed to change the by-laws to reflect 1 May as the dues cut-off date. Approved

Chuck Colder briefed that the sponsors of the helmet law were swamped with calls in opposition. The ICMS has taken up the cause and has established a fund with donated funds to defeat the helmet law.

Bud informed the group that the Idaho Department of Transportation was putting together a task force on motorcycle safety. More to follow.

Membership Meeting:

Details of the proposed helmet law was discussed along with the chapter's participation in fighting the proposal. Since the chapter is supposed to be non-political, the matter was put before the membership as to whether the chapter will expend funds and time if needed to oppose the law. A secret ballot was held with the chapter voting 36 to 6 to get involved in the fight against the law if needed.

March:

Participation in weekend rides has been minimal. Ride leaders didn't show for two scheduled rides and participants are still arriving late. There has also been a number of safety violations observed. Bud will address at next membership meeting.

Membership Meeting:

The helmet law issue is dead for now. A \$200 "war-fund" trust was raised in case the issue resurfaces at a later date.

April:

Swap Meet Burger Burn

It was decided that the chapter's AMA membership would be allowed to expire. The chapter will rely on HOG's insurance for future events.

Membership Meeting:

The ICMS "Motorcycle Awareness Ride to the State Capitol" was briefed. Riders will depart from Meridian Park and ride to the capitol for guest speakers.

May: No significant information

June:

MDA Poker Run

Weiser Rodeo

July:

Membership Meeting:

The sponsor briefed the membership about IDOT's Motorcycle Safety Task Force. The task force will assist IDOT in developing licensing, new rider, and experienced rider programs. New riders will be required to pass a skills and written tests. Part of the registration fees will be used to fund the programs.

A funding drive to defeat future helmet law initiatives was announced. All are encouraged to attend.

It was briefed that 14 dealers were sponsoring a poker-run to Sturgis. Cards will be picked up at participating dealerships and turned in at Rapid City, SD.

HOG t-shirts are now being offered at the dealership.

August:

Toys-for-Tots Run

There was discussion as to whether the chapter should spend a large sum of money at the annual party since most attending members don't participate in other chapter functions or events.

Tabled

There was discussion about developing job descriptions for board members. Since the positions of Secretary and Treasurer were separated several years ago, the duties were not clearly divided.

It was suggested the Secretary take over the newsletter, membership rosters, and phone tree while the Treasurer takes over finances and new applicants. Tabled

It was discussed that 15 board members was probably too many. It was suggested 11 members be named: Director, Assistant Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Road Captain, Sponsor, and five Members at Large. Except for the sponsor, all members would be elected by the membership and at least two board members should be carried over from the previous year to ensure continuity. Tabled

It was decided a "Nominating Committee" be formed to identify new board member candidates and the newly elected board members would take office 1 October.

September:

Chapter charter and by-laws were reviewed and a number of changes were submitted for approval.

October:

Board member nominee ballots were mailed to the membership. Ballots should be turned in to dealership or brought to membership meeting.

Membership Meeting:

By-laws revisions were distributed to all members for their consideration.

Election of new board members was held with the following results:

Director: Jerry Hinshaw, Co-Director: Bob Mallon, Treasurer: Bud Hollett,
Secretary: Vanna Kay Allen, Road Captain: Jack Harp, Members at Large: Dave
Ballard, Jack Chapman, John Greener, Gene Mills, Reece McMillan, Mark
Overgard, Bill Thomas,

November:

Jerry asked members for suggested changes to chapter constitution.

It was decided the Road Captain will come up with standardized hand signals.

It was decided the road captain will be responsible for checking the chapter's answering machine.

Board meetings were changed to the second Monday of the month.

December:

Toys-for-Tots deliveries

Newly elected Secretary Vanna Kay Allen resigned. Nominations for a replacement will be accepted during the next general meeting.