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Assistant Director's Report

*"Here I sit broken hearted came to ****but only....."*

Oh wait a minute, that's not what I wanted to start this article with. Well maybe just the broken hearted part. Here I do sit broken hearted because it is another rain, no rain, rain, sprinkle, downpour, thunderstorm day! Just when the sky clears and I decide it is safe to ride the bike, by the time I back it out of the garage it is raining again. So, along with the rest of the chapter, I have not been able to fire up the Harley much lately. This summer has been an odd one in Tennessee. Not so hot temperature wise, but too much rain, especially on our

scheduled club ride days.

I am hoping that the weather makes a turn for the better as we still have a lot of rides and activities planned for the rest of the year. I know I am looking forward to the Paintball adventure that is planned for September 1st, as well as the overnight ride to Reelfoot Lake on September 14th. Please check out the schedule on the website to see what is planned next.

A number of you are riding to the Harley 110th anniversary

party in Milwaukee, WI over Labor Day weekend. I wish you a great and safe trip. Be sure to share with the club how that big shindig turns out.

The officers have received your feedback via the chapter survey that was recently sent out and are going over the data now. We shared out at our August chapter meeting on the 20th.

Here's hoping you all are well and to a dry rest of the riding season. ~ Zero

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Membership Report, Terry Fox

Here it is the middle of August, summers almost over & my wife shouted out her favorite words, get back on the bus!!! Just as the past few months we are still stuck at 52 members. I hope everyone got to get in plenty of good rides, it sure has been rough with all this crazy weather. I recently took an overnight ride to Mississippi, with Spoon to meet Rodney & Jay at a casino for a little rambling. Well Spoon & I

stayed up late, while Rodney & Jay turned in early. Boy was I surprised when I got a wake up call at 6:30, they were ready to ride. I was tired & ill, but I got up and climbed on that bike. After about an hour of cool air and some what nice countryside, along with some good music I was feeling like my old self. I guess that's what they mean when they say you never see a motorcycle parked in front of a

"...you never see a motorcycle parked in front of a physician's office!!!"

physician's office!!! On a somber side a friend's wife lost her battle to cancer may she rest in peace!! She was my age. Just remember life is short so: Screw it Lets Ride!!!! Best therapy I know....

Head Road Captain Report, Jerry "Big Country" Knox

What a crazy year it has been!

Hello Muletown!

This year has been one of the weirdest weather wise I can remember. The good news is, there hasn't been any 100 degree days. The bad news has been all of the rain. It has caused a sacrifice of riding time on the bike, and a surplus of riding time on the mower. Anyway, to date we have had a lot of really good rides. A few times we have had to dodge a stray shower or two, but for the most part, we have stayed dry. There is still several rides on the calendar for this year, and if mid August is any indication, this fall should be great riding weather. I can't believe I actually had to put on

a jacket to ride to work on August 15.

I want to give a shout out to Activities Director, Tony Cornelius. He has put together some great activities this year, with a very broad spectrum. Right now, I'm excited about heading off to Thunder Valley on the 23rd to see the undisputed King of the Bullrings in Bristol, TN. We will be sure to see some heated racing, as well as heated tempers. There's nothin' like the smell of high octane fuel, burnt rubber, and wrinkled sheet metal. I guess it's a redneck thang. Great job, Tony, thanks for your hard work.

As we head toward the fall,

mark your calendars for October 5. This will be the AMBUC's charity ride. We need a great turn out for this ride. There will be a \$25.00 per bike charge, but you can donate more if you wish. This is for a very good cause, so invite others as well.

Y'all keep it between the lines, and I'll see you on the road! ~Big Country



noun 1. *social activity*- activity considered appropriate on social occasions
group action - action taken by a group of people
association - the act of consorting with or joining with others
mingling - the action of people mingling and coming into contact

Activities Report, Col. Tony Cornelius

Hey Muletown,

One of our fellow members said something the other night that really got me to thinking about why I wanted to join the Muletown HOG. I had to really think about what motivated me to take time and ask someone at the dealership how to join, what it was all about, who to contact, etc. After all, this was a group of absolute strangers that I had never met – not one person!

Then it really struck me. At the time I joined the group I had spent more than half of my life in the US Army with a group of people who truly depended on each other each and every day. I think what I was looking for was the same type of connection with people that shared my passion and my (probably unusual) outlook on life; people that I could trust. It wasn't until hearing one of my fellow HOG members talking about the great opportunity this club offers to get to know one another that it finally made sense to me.

I hope that you will take the time to come and enjoy the wonderful people that call themselves a motorcycle group – That may be what brought us together, but it's not what keeps us together! What keeps us together is much bigger than any model H.D. will ever sell!

With that said, we have two extra, great opportunities this fall to come together as a group and have a terrific time! Sunday September 1st, 2013 – Paintball at Middle Tennessee Paintball, cost – Approx. \$30 per person (all fees, equipment, paintballs included), plan to meet at Spring Hill HS parking lot at 10:30 am bikes or cars... See website for more info: <http://middletennesseepaintball.com/index.html>



Saturday October 26th, 2013 – Miller's Thrillers Zombie Paintball Hayride (hopefully you practiced paintball in September...), cost – Approx. \$20 per person, plan to meet at Poncho's in SH at 6:30 pm for dinner or meet at Millers at 8:00 pm – open until 11 pm, bikes or cars. See website for more info: <http://www.millersthillers.net/index.html> Also, we are still looking to plan a family bowling event in January/February?... We can discuss this more at our meetings.

Folks, this is our time to share our passion and watch the world go by from a perspective that many can only dream about, so come out and have some fun, and....*Rumble On!*



Special Safety Section: Hand Signals, Motorcycle Safety Foundation ®

Stop - arm extended straight down, palm facing back



Single File - arm and index finger extended straight up



Turn Signal On - open and close hand with fingers and thumb extended



Slow Down - arm extended straight out, palm facing down



Double File - arm with index and middle finger extended straight up



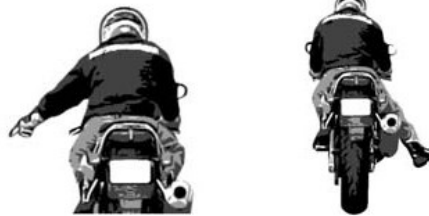
Fuel - arm out to side pointing to tank with finger extended



Speed Up - arm extended straight out, palm facing up



Hazard in Roadway - on the right, point with right foot; on the left, point with left hand



Refreshment Stop - fingers closed, thumb to mouth



You Lead/Come - arm extended upward 45 degrees, palm forward pointing with index finger, swing in arc from back to front



Highbeam - tap on top of helmet with open palm down



Comfort Stop - forearm extended, fist clenched with short up and down motion



Follow Me - arm extended straight up from shoulder, palm forward



Pull Off - arm positioned as for right turn, forearm swung toward shoulder



DIY, Assignments from the Principal. Jon "Doc" Ullrich

Well, y'all know why the newsletter is a little late...school's back in session! Yes, I have 830+ little friends to hang out with every day again. Good thing I love my job, yes?

The best part of this time of the year are the kindergarten students and their parents. A good portion of them are new

to Longview and can you imagine when their first view of their principal turns out to be me getting off my bike, Muletown vest on over my shirt and tie, doorag, stirrups holding my dress pants down, and lately a single rubber band in my goatee?! Let's just say I hear, "You are not like any principal I ever had!" from the

parents.

I hope some of you are getting to enjoy the weekday rides usually started by Ken Steverson. Too early for me to play hooky.

With school back in session let's all get back to work. Your assignment is below!
Ride Safe, ~Doc

Turn a 50 Gallon Whiskey Barrel into a Motorcycle Trailer!

Take a look at the cool finished product! You have eight thumbnail pics to get an idea of the project by in reality you want to give this a look full size on the web. [WEBLINK](#)



ETLOST Video inside

Work Instructions		Part Number:	
Revised:	5/10/2013	Author:	Karl S.
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Step 1

Step 2

Instructions	Instructions
1. Draw line around center of barrel perpendicular to the end cap.	1. Remove end caps and glue all slats together.
2. Attach the straps to the barrel on both sides of the line.	2. Glue in end caps.
3. Cut straps.	3. Secure in place with ratchet strap and let dry for 24 hours.
4. Cut barrel in half.	
5. Cut out notch in bottom half for frame, save pieces to re-install.	

Critical Points	Critical Points
If you cut the barrel in half before you attach the straps, it will fall apart in pieces.	Picture does not show endcaps. Be sure and install end caps before glue dries to maintain an even circle.

ETLOST Video inside

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Instructions	Instructions
1. After glue is dry, remove the inner straps and sand any rough surfaces.	1. Seal wood using Waterlox Original Wood sealer - Top Half
2. Fill gap between end cap and barrel slats with wood filler (as needed).	
2a. Gap is referred to with green arrow in both building pics above.	
3. Fill any large divots or gaps in wood slats with wood filler as needed.	

Critical Points	Critical Points
Do not remove straps until glue has dried for 24 hours.	Remove end cap straps to seal wood and immediately re-install.

Turn a 50 Gallon Whiskey Barrel into a Motorcycle Trailer, Part 2

Work Instructions
 Revised: 5/10/2013 Author: Karl S. Model: 50 Gallon Barrel Trailer
 Rev By: Karl S. Status: #1 Procedure: Working Instructions
 Disclaimers: www.ebmotorcycletrailer.com

Step 1

Weld Corners on inside and outside
 Weld flat plates on inside and outside
 1. Cut steel and assemble according to drawing above

Step 2

Round corners
 Flare Thickness 1/8"
 Trace hole layout from Axle onto plate
 200lb. Non-adjustable half tension axle
 1. Drill flat plates and attach half tension axle.

Instructions
 1. Cut steel and assemble according to drawing above

Critical Points
 Frame must be square within 1/16"

Part Number:
 Model: 50 Gallon Barrel Trailer
 Procedure: Working Instructions
 Disclaimers: www.ebmotorcycletrailer.com

Instructions
 1. Drill flat plates and attach half tension axle.

Critical Points
 Axles must be square with each other and frame within 1/8"
 Tires are shown for reference only

Work Instructions
 Revised: 5/10/2013 Author: Karl S. Model: 50 Gallon Barrel Trailer
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Step 1

Step 2

Instructions
 1. Install frame in lower half of wood barrel Blue arrows
 2. Use 1/4 20 pan head screws on straps on left and right side
 3. Use 1/4 20 counter sunk screws on front and back under hinge and tailight

Critical Points
 Top of frame is even with the top of barrel.

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Step 1

Step 2

Instructions
 Hinge 2" thick
 Hinge Dimensions are 16" wide x 6" tall, (top and bottom are 3" each)
 Attach with 1/2" Wood screws
 Seal up the inside
 3 Coats with minimum of 4hrs of dry time between each coat

Critical Points
 May use 3-4 cans

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Instructions
 Attach:
 Side Marker Lights
 Rear Tail Light
 License Plate
 Bottle Opener
 Attach Chains with 3/8 bolts.
 Use Stainless Steel or Chrome chains to eliminate rust

Critical Points
 Use 1/2" coarse thread 316 Stainless Steel (SS) counter sink wood screws
 Drop Test: Unhook coupler from ball and drop to the ground. If the tongue can touch the

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Step 1

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Instructions
 Wiring:
 5-wire flat connection
 White - Ground
 Yellow - Left
 Green - Right
 Black - Running
 Red - Brake
 Pack, Hook it up, and Get Lost.

Critical Points

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Step 2

Products used in this build
 Wheels
 Axles and hubs
 Light, Brake and running bar
 Lights - Blinky
 Latches
 Wiring
 Sealer - Exterior wood sealer
 Sealer - Interior water sealant

Critical Points
 For more information and Custom build trailers ideaspans visit:
www.ebmotorcycletrailer.com

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Products used in this build
 Update - Street Hitch
 Chains
 Coupler
 License Plate Frame
 Bottle Opener

Critical Points
 Full product details and disclaimers at:
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Financial Report, Neil “Tex” Jones

The club’s current balance in the bank is \$841.20. We paid \$115 to the Lucas Golden fund. No other activity since the last report.

It’s late summer and cool for August, all the more reason to get out and ride while we can before winter. Everyone enjoy your scoot rides including

maybe a few with the club, always fun.

~Tex



Scoot Stories, Neil “Tex” Jones



My first big road trip by scoot was in the late 1970’s. It was a journey I will never forget, because it was hugely fun, adventurous, and at times, a tad uncomfortable because I was so green and inexperienced. I had been riding for twenty years, but it was all local, nothing long into the wind. My riding buddy T Bone and I met halfway in Little Rock with me coming from Middle TN and him from Dallas. And with our first rate equipment (sleeping bags and a change of clothes in trash bags bungeed on the bikes), we set out, with big plans and no road trip experience.

The first couple of days went well in our drive up through the Ozarks in Arkansas and then into Oklahoma on Highway 1, aka the Talamena Highway. The weather was a little cool at night and dry. Then we cut south and got to northern Louisiana to a remote camp ground that was a long

way from civilization. We set up camp (as it were) about dark, and spread our sleeping bags out in the open. In the middle of the night the rain came, and came and came some more. It never occurred to either of us that it might rain and we would need a tent.

At the campsite next to us was a Winnebago, complete with lights, heat (it was cold and wet), and a roof. We couldn’t help but look at and envy the dry folks inside. So, we would up crawling under a concrete picnic table which was useless for cover from the pounding, blowing rain. We suffered through until daylight when the rain ended.

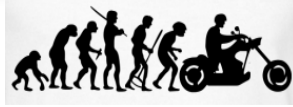
We packed up our stuff on the bikes, including sleeping bags that each carried about a five gallon bucket load of rainwater and weighed about 50 pounds each. A change into dry clothes (from the plastic trash bags) felt good until about an hour down the

road when the sky let loose again. Hunkering down and hugging the gas tank was no good on the small bikes with no windshields. And raingear? Who needs raingear? Soaked again and out of dry clothes, we made our way to coin operated washers and dryers. An hour later we were back on the road again, cutting through Louisiana and into Mississippi and then headed back toward home when we split up in Vicksburg.

They say you have to crawl before you can walk, and I would add you have to get your . . . rear and gear soaked one good time, when you learn to be a little more prepared. Now I always have my raingear on my scoot, and have done so for the last 30 years. And any “camping out” I do is at the Holiday Inn. I think about the lesson I learned years ago, every time I see a concrete picnic table.

Let’s saddle up and ride. ~Tex

Puzzles, Games, and Jokes

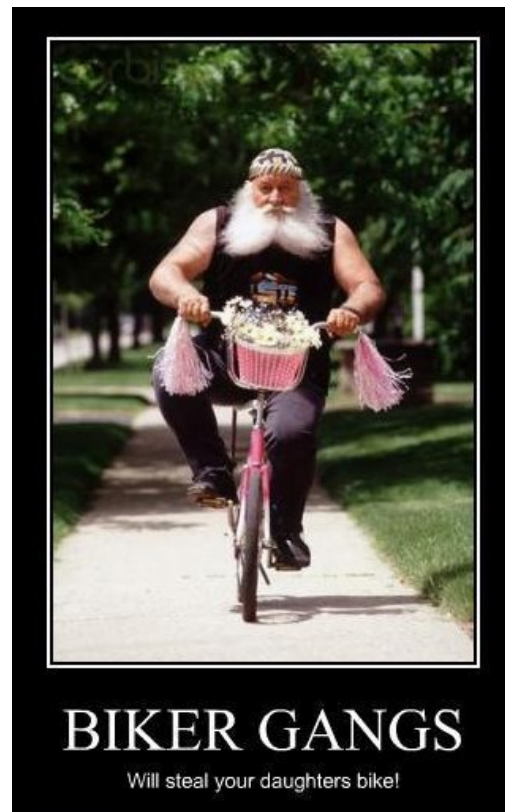


Parked Motorcycle Syndrome. A silent killer, Parked Motorcycle Syndrome (PMS) symptoms include pacing back and forth in the garage, irritability, headache, and nausea. Symptoms often occur after long periods of rain/snow or prolonged periods of excessive heat or cold. If you or a loved suffer from PMS, get out and ride! Prolonged exposure to a parked motorcycle can drive someone completely insane.



Keep Bikers Safe!

DON'T SHOW YOUR BOOBS
till we have come to a complete stop!



BIKER GANGS

Will steal your daughters bike!

What is that which goes with a motorcycle, comes with a motorcycle, is of no use to a motorcycle, and yet the motorcycle cannot go without it?

Answer: _____

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**It is about the bikes and the people,
after all.**

Chapter Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to promote responsible motorcycling activities for local Harley Owner Group (H.O.G.) members by conducting Chapter activities and encouraging members to participate in other H.O.G. events. Chapter activities and operations shall be conducted in a manner consistent with a family oriented, non-political, philosophy. We are dedicated to advancing the enjoyment, image, and safety of the sport of motorcycling.

We do more than ride!

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