



Muletown Chapter 2033

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Assistant Director's Report

What time is it? If you guessed, "Howdy Doody time", you're as old as I am. If you guessed, "Hammer Time", you're stuck in the '90s. If you guessed it's "time to ride", you'd be correct! Get ready for another season of great motorcycle riding and chapter fellowship.

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank Ken Steverson who has been our Assistant Director for the past three years. Ken has kept our chapter well organized and has provided the type of leadership that allowed us to operate smoothly. His communication to the membership was outstanding. I will be attempting to step into his shoes and will be counting on the membership's support in

this endeavor. Jon "Doc" Ullrich will be taking over for me as our Newsletter Editor / Secretary.

Neil "Tex" Jones will be moving into Jay Morgan's position of Treasurer this year. Jay has supported the chapter in this position for the last three years as well as being the Membership officer for two of those years. If we had a chapter historian, Jay would be it. He is a charter member and a pillar of the chapter.

The Road Captains have been hard at work planning out the first half of the season's rides. The first ride of 2013 will be on March 9th to Breece's in Centerville. If you check the web calendar you will see more destinations scheduled so far this

year. Prior to the first ride of the season will be our annual chili dump at Eddie and Lori Mann's house on March 2nd. We will have more information at the February chapter meeting. Fox won for best chili last year and we hear he is gunning for 1st place again!

At this point in time we have no major fundraisers scheduled for the chapter. In the past the pancake breakfast helped to fund some of our chapter activities. The lack of a fundraiser will necessitate us to get creative and make a few changes this year.

Get your bike in top shape and ready to ride as I am looking forward to seeing you all soon!

~ Eddie Zero

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- Jon "Doc" Ullrich, Secretary/Newsletter
- Neil "Tex" Jones, Treasurer
- Jerry Knox, Head Road Captain
- Terry Fox, Membership
- Tricia Shearn, Webmaster



Membership Report, Terry Fox

As I am writing this it is Valentine's Day, I hope you took care of your sweetie, to stay out of the dog house like I have to!!! It was a beautiful day, about 60 out. I hope you got to get out and ride a little bit, it sure felt nice. It won't be long before we can ride every

day. There is still no better feeling than twisting that throttle!!! So far we have 21 member renewals that took advantage of early enrollment. Hopefully we can double that at our first meeting. If you can't make the first meeting you still have until March 1st to take

"There's no better feeling than twisting that throttle!!!"

advantage of the \$15.00 early enrollment, after that it will be \$20.00. Just get a hold of me or drop it in the box at the dealership. In closing, hope to see you on the road soon.

Head Road Captain Report, Jerry Knox

LET'S RIDE!

Hello folks, I hope you have all had a good winter. Even with some cooler weather, I have still found a little time to ride, between going back and forth from New Jersey and home.

I have spent some time helping out at The Home Depot's bulk distribution center in Bridgeport, New Jersey, in the wake of Sandy. For some reason, the guys up there call me "Big Country". I'm not sure where they got that one.

The Road Captains met on February 5th for our safety training, and to schedule rides for the first half of the season, and let me tell you, they came prepared! We have some great stuff coming up, beginning on March 9, with Ken leading us to Breece's in

Centerville. Everything through June is already on the calendar, as well as in this newsletter. We actually have four "B" rides in a row. Think these guys are ready to ride, or what?

I know you have heard me say it many times, but our Road Captains are the best! We have scheduled a few old favorites, and some new adventures as well. I'm always looking for new ideas, and new places to go, but these guys have me beat. I'm wondering if any of them have a day job!

During the second half, we plan to schedule at least an overnigher or two, so get ready to travel. Polish that chrome, check those tires, and be ready to roll on March 9!

Free as a Bird, ~Jerry

Upcoming Rides

- **March 9:** Breece's Cafe, Centerville, "A" ride, departs Love's at 10:00. Road Captain- Ken Steverson, Sweep- Eddie Fisher
- **March 23:** Tri-County Farmer, Vanleer, TN, "A" ride departs H-D at 10:00. Road Captain- Joe Hopper, Sweep- Ken Steverson
- **April 6:** Beacon Light, Bon Aqua, "A" ride, departs Love's at 10:00. Road Captain- Neil Jones, Sweep- Terry Fox
- **April 20:** The Fish Creel, Anderson, AL, "B" ride departs Love's at 9:00. Road Captain- Jerry Knox, Sweep- Joe Hopper
- **May 4:** The Cookie Jar, Dunlap, TN, "B" ride departs Love's at 8:00. Road Captain- Rodney Schmitt, Sweep- Jay Morgan
- **May 18:** Crawdaddy's, Cookeville, "B" ride, departs H-D at 9:00. Road Captain- Eddie Fisher, Sweep- Jerry Knox

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

What do the kids in school have in common with us on motorcycles this time of year? We both aren't getting enough recess!

I hope you enjoy the new format of the newsletter and ask

you to give me some feedback as to what you would like to see in each edition besides the profound words of our fellow bikers.

If your not bundling up and don't own any heated gear,

then you are itching for something to do. Tell your spouse you have some work to do. Get something cold, or warm to drink, focus and get to work. Your assignment is below.

Ride Safe, ~Doc



Source: <http://realitypod.com/2012/12/make-your-disposable-cigarette-lighters-into-a-motorcycle/>



Financial Report, Neil “Tex” Jones

Well, here’s my first shot at giving the financial report. . . .

The club has a balance of \$327.18. The End.

Nah. Just kidding. We have our Christmas Party bill paid, as well as other bills.

Jay left the treasury in good

shape, so it was easy for me to pick up from him. On February 4, I made a deposit of \$195 of yearly membership sign-ups. If you haven’t signed up for the year, do so, just to keep Terry and me busy.

It’s mid February and I have

cabin fever and that big itch to ride. Met with the Road Captains the other day at Jerry’s house and I can tell you there are some good rides planned. Looking forward to getting on the road again.

~Tex

Scoot Stories, Neil “Tex” Jones

Have you ever had a moment when, like a dream, you see something but your mind does not comprehend it? It’s that Twilight Zone second when you have no answer for what you see happening. I had such an experience while on a scoot trip in the mountains of NE Georgia with my lifelong biker buddy, T Bone, and his grown son, Gary.

We were camping out and were carrying a lot of gear—sleeping bags, tents, cooking gear, clothes, etc.—on our three bikes. Gary was riding a Sporty and could pack very little on the small scoot. That meant T Bone was really packing everything they had on his Road King. It did look a little funny as it was stacked up high as his head and as he said, “This thing’s a little top heavy too.” Everything was going well on the trip as we headed into a state park to camp that night. It was getting dark as we turned down a road that had a metal gate dropped blocking the road, or



most of it. No problem for a motorcycle. I was third in line and waited as T Bone, then Gary disappeared as they rode through the woods and continued up the steep hill. As I was working my way through the tight spot—it happened.

Suddenly, T Bone appears running down the hill, helmet on, and just a running fast as he could. He shoots past me and I’m thinking all kinds of things for answers, but nothing fits. I want to yell and ask what’s going on, but nothing comes out. Is there a fire? Is a bear after him? Don’t see one. Where’s his scoot? Where’s his boy? Nothing adds up.

He finally is able to stop on the steep decline and turns around and, between catching his breath, tells me the story. Just

a little ways up, he had turned right on another road, and the road was steeply banked down on his right. He stopped, put down his right leg, and top heavy as the bike was, when he planted his right foot the Road King just kept on a coming, throwing him off as the bike fell on its side. He was catapulted down the hill and was running to get his legs under him to stop upright. It took a while.

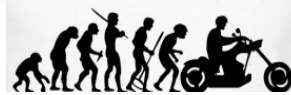
We got his bike upright and it was okay so we camped that night as planned. I told them that was a good story and one day I’d write it down to be recorded somewhere in Biker Incredible Tales.

So, here it is.

Let’s saddle up and ride—and don’t stack your gear up too high when you’ll be riding on a Georgia mountain. Gravity will win. ~Tex



Puzzles, Games, and Jokes



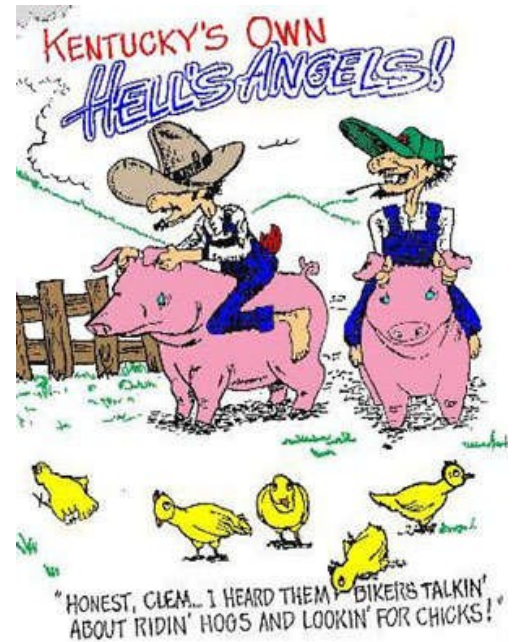
Motorcycle Word Search Puzzle

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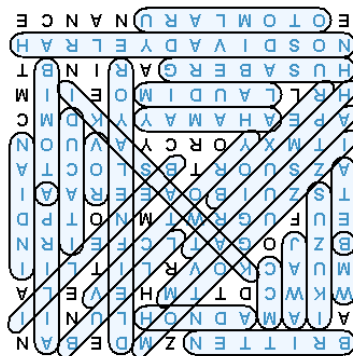
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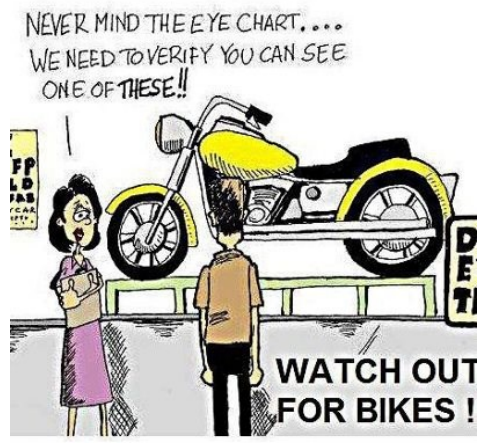


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The hidden title was: *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*, a book by Robert Pirsig (first published in 1974).



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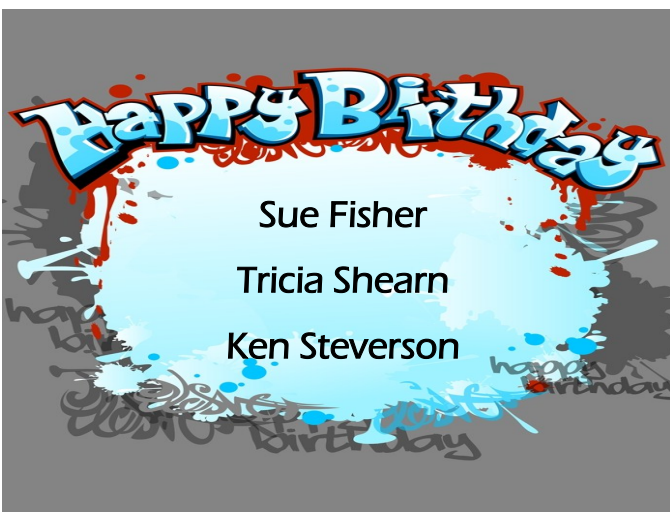
**It is about the bikes and the people,
after all.**

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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