



Muletown Chapter 2033

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Assistant Director's Report

Muletown Members, What a great year we have had as a HOG Club! We rode to quite a few new destinations, have seen our membership grow, and participated in fun activities. Above all, we have a great membership full of friendly people who love to ride their Harley's together.

I would like to welcome David Payne as our new Head Road Captain and Red Thomas as our new Activities Officer's. David has been a past Road Captain and will be leading us in organizing club rides for 2017. Look for a new Road Captain training and ride organizing meeting early in 2017. Red

has been a member with us for the last few years and has been an active participant in most of the rides and activities. Look for him to have a few new things up his sleeve for next year.



It goes without saying that the outgoing Officer's have done a fantastic job in their positions for the last two years! I can't say enough about Tony Cornelius as the Head Road Captain, or Eddie Mann as the Activities Officer! A job well done by both!

I would like to thank the membership for their support for me over the last four years as the Chapter's Asst. Director. It has been my privilege to be a part of this club and to serve with a great bunch of Officers. As most of you know, I am stepping down from this position but will continue to be a Road Captain and member in the club. As of this writing, the member who will fill this position is TBD.

As we go into the Christmas season, please keep members of our Muletown Family in your prayers who are struggling with health and other issues.

Merry Christmas,
Zero



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- "Colonel" Tony Cornelius,
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Activities Report, Eddie Mann

With another riding season coming to a close and the weather starting to get cold, it's time for the last newsletter of the year and my last Activities report. I am turning over the role of Activities Director to Tim (Red) Thomas. I'm looking forward to Red taking over and presenting new Ideas and activities to the chapter. I've enjoyed being an officer with Muletown HOG, it's a rewarding job to help put together successful Activities, rides, etc. and if you have any interest in helping the chapter grow into the future just let a Chapter officer know and we would be glad to help you get involved.

I'm sure the new officers will be meeting to get 2017 riding season off to a great start soon.



On January 17th we will be meeting for a dinner social at Pucketts on the Square in Columbia. We won't be talking any business just enjoying a dinner together. Hope to see you there.

HOG has decided to do away with State rallies and have regional rallies next year. 3 of these rallies that are in riding distance are, Deep South HOG rally, in Alexandria La. April 6-8 Southern Backroads Rally, Cookeville Tn. July 11-15 and Southeast HOG Rally in Pensacola Fl. Nov 1-4 I haven't figured out which ones I'm going to, but I will make one or two of these next year. It's a little larger blow out that a State rally and I enjoy being at a rally that is made up of all HOG family. I hope I'm seeing most of you at the Christmas Party. Until then,
~Eddie Mann

Secretary Report, Ken Steverson



Its December and Christmas and a new year are just around the corner. This is a good time to reflect on the past year and some good rides with good friends.

Its hard to pick out a "best" ride because all or our road captains put time and effort into planning their rides to make them enjoyable for

everyone. A few of the memorable rides were Eddie's ride to Fat Daddy's (a new place for us this year), Zero's ride to the "Slick Pig" and Trish's ride to Hollow Rock, Tennessee. I'm already looking forward to seeing what our road captains come up with come our next riding season.

As far as our finances are concerned we are in pretty good shape. Our Christmas party along with a couple of miscellaneous expenses will exhaust our funds and we will end the year with a zero

balance as is recommended by Harley Davidson.

As a reminder your 2017 Muletown dues can be paid at the Christmas party, we will have registration forms available. Don't forget if you renew your membership now you'll get a \$5.00 discount, annual dues will be \$ 15.00 rather than \$20.00. If you recently joined the chapter and paid the full membership costs you are good until dues are due for 2018.

~Ken

Head Road Captain Report, “Colonel” Tony Cornelius

Nearly 5 years ago I made the decision to buy a used 2007 Road King Custom at the Columbia dealership. I always wanted a Harley and I knew when I saw it that it was the one for me. What I didn't know was that when I filled out the local HOG chapter application, that I would get to know some of the most dear and special people that I have ever had the pleasure to know.

You all are aware that I have been fighting cancer for a little over a year now and it has



come back to try me again. I am truly focused on giving it my all and beating this but the reality is that I need to prepare

for all contingencies. With that being said I have told the officers through Zero that I am going to take a break from the chapter for the time being and focus on my family.

I want you all to know that I treasure the time that I have had getting to know you and I hope you have a blessed Christmas!

Rumble on and may God bless you and yours,

Col. Tony Cornelius
Head Road Captain

Scoot Story, Neil “Tex” Jones



One odd thing that happened to me was that for the entire year in the Army Airborne in

Vietnam, I never drove anything. I was driven (or humped through the boonies) from as far south as Vung Tau , a port by the South China Sea to Da Nang in the north near the DMZ area, near the area where my Brother Jay Morgan, U.S. Marine, and I were on a joint operation. We never met then but we discovered our campaign together after we met in the Columbia HOG Chapter. Be it in a deuce-and-a-half-truck, Huey helicopter (most often), schnook helicopter, jeep, tank, C-130 aircraft, etc.—there I was, a nineteen year old boy with

nothing to drive, race, or otherwise tear up the road in or on—until one day...when I got to cut through the wind on a scoot. What a day!

The following excerpt from my book *Brothers, All* is about one of the best days I ever had overseas, the day that reminded me of what I missed most about the world (U.S.), motorcycles and girls. As I approached on the Huey to return from my eight days of R&R in Bangkok, Thailand to rejoin to my unit somewhere in the Mekong Delta of South Vietnam, I thought

“...It was a hard thing to leave such a nice place [Bangkok] and return eight days later . . . to the hellhole of exploding ‘Nam.

I tried to think the good things to

tell my Brothers, as we all did on return from R&R. I had stories of girls, whiskey, and club bands playing rock and roll. And there was the time I rented a Triumph motorcycle and drove up to a hundred miles an hour down dusty, Thai village roads. My face burned from the sun and hot air as I darted around water-buffalo-drawn-carts, with a good time girl on the back, her arms locked tight around my waist, her face pressed in my back and her long, black hair whipping in the wind...” (p. 133)

Brave girl. I felt a right smart better getting to “tear up the road.” For that one day I got to feel life again square in my face, as you only feel on a grand scoot ride. Let’s saddle up and ride, Tex

Membership Report, Terry Fox

Well another year is closing out. We have had a pretty good year, with a lot of good rides and a lot of new members!! We had four join at our last meeting. I would once again like to welcome Lee and Lisa Greenleaf, and Michael

and Heidi McGuigan. This brings us right around 60 members for this year!! I have got all membership cards printed out, and will have them at Christmas party. Also I will have membership forms, so everyone can take

advantage of our early membership dues of \$15.00!! In closing I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!! I can't wait til next year, when I can say: *Screw it let's Ride!!!*
~Fox



January

Bruce Tardiff

Red Thomas

February

Bob Van Leersum

March

Tom Voss

Linda Ryan

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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.

