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Assistant Director's Report

Muletown, Our riding season is well underway with the weatherman promising better and better weather. The road captains have already taken us on roads I have never been on. It's always an adventure to ride with this club! Also, we have had new members of the club join us on each one of the rides so far this year. That is very encouraging as we

always welcome new people to join us on rides and activities.

I'm not sure if everyone has heard, but since the last newsletter writing, Tony Cornelius has stepped up to be the activities officer. He brings fresh ideas to this realm and has already planned a hockey and NASCAR outing. Please bring any ideas to him on things you would like to see take place.

Remember, this is your club and we need your input.

I would like to say that I am very pleased to work with all the officers of our chapter. They are a great group of people who have diverse ideas and commit their time to making this club work. They truly have your interest at heart.

See you on the next ride! ~ Zero

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Membership Report, Terry Fox

As I'm sitting here watching the Masters golf I'm thinking how lovely it looks down in Georgia, hoping this warm weather is here to stay!!! I'm ready to get rid of my truck & just ride my bike. I also just got back from Rodney's house, where he changed my oil & just like last time we found another nail in my tire!!! Keep an eye on those things, those

nails are everywhere!!! As of today we have 49 members, things are looking good. We had one new member who joined at the last meeting, Pat Burns & he has been on some chapter rides already, I think he will be a good addition to our club, just like all our members old and new!!! I also talked to Terry the financial manager at the dealership and

"I'm...hoping the warm weather is here to stay!!!"

he is going to start giving our membership cards to everyone he sells a bike to locally, but they sell a lot of bikes out of state. Any little bit will help!!! Hope to see y'all on the road soon!!!
Screw it, lets ride!!!

Head Road Captain Report, Jerry "Big Country" Knox

ANOTHER RIDING SEASON HAS BEGUN!

Well folks, we are three rides in to 2013. So far, Mother Nature has thrown a couple of curves with the weather. The temps never seem to get up to what the weather man promises. Even still, they have all been great rides and destinations. It's been a great prelude to what is coming up in the next few months. There is a lot more cool rides scheduled through June, and we are already coming up with ideas from July forward, hopefully with a couple of overnights in the works. The road captains will meet in early to mid June to plan the rest of the year, so if you have any ideas, let us know.

I would like to take a couple of minutes to talk about safety. I know you have all seen the road captains holding a little white card when we have the

pre-ride safety briefing. This card has some short notes on things to cover. I would like to go in to a little more depth in explaining some of the things we mention, because as leaders and followers alike, sometimes we are a bit anxious to get on the road. Also, we are gaining new members that might not understand some of these.



First off, there should be no passing in a group. The main reason for this is, if

you pull up to pass, chances are you will catch the rider off guard, and could possibly cause an accident.

Next, we mention "No rider left behind". If for some reason the group gets separated, and the front group makes a turn, the last bike in that line, should stop and wait, so they don't miss the turn. The leader will

slow the pace some to allow the others to catch up. As for the pace, we have always gone speed limit plus five, if road conditions allow it. When riding staggered, there should be a two second gap between you and the rider directly in front of you. That said, if we go single file, the line will be almost twice as long to accomplish the two seconds.

Lastly, remember that you are responsible for your safety, as well as the safety of others. We have a good safety record, mainly because of our responsibility toward each other in this regard.

Group riding is a lot of fun, but it can be a little nerve racking for someone until they get used to it. Our goal as a chapter is to RIDE SAFE AND HAVE FUN! As I said earlier, there is a bunch of good stuff coming up, so come on out and join us!

Let's Ride! ~Jerry

Activities Report, Tony Cornelius

I am excited about being the new activities officer and trying to bring a new perspective to the position and to the club.

There are so many great things to experience in Middle Tennessee – It's hard to single things out that we can enjoy as a group, but... Here are a few ideas I am tossing around:

General Jackson Riverboat Lunch Cruise and Show!

www.generaljackson.com



This looks like a lot of fun and the cost seems fairly reasonable. The mid-day cruise lasts 2 ½ hours, includes a huge buffet and the popular Steven Hall & The Shotgun Red Show. Adults are \$71 (internet fee and taxes included), Children 4-11 are \$43, and Children under 4 are free. Wine may be purchased separately. Dates for weekends this summer are wide open! I am recommending a Saturday in June – I am going to start with July 13th (11:15 am boarding and noon departure) and see what kind of response

I get. Let me know at the meeting or by [e-mail](#) if you (and your guest(s)) are interested.

4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS!!

I am looking for members interested in going to the 4th of July fireworks celebration in Nashville as a group this summer. The 4th is on a Thursday night this year so it may be difficult, but I wanted to put it out there. Again, please let me know at the meeting(s) or by e-mail if you might want to go – Getting there early in the day is going to be key. Nashville's annual July 4th celebration normally includes a free family fun zone, a free concert and a fireworks show at Riverfront Park. (Cost should be minimal).

Festivities usually begin downtown at around noon and go on throughout the day, with the city's annual fireworks show normally

beginning at around 9:30pm.

I'm going to stop here for now. We've got 10 members going to the **Predators game** on April 23rd and 5 of us have committed to the night race at **Bristol** on August 24th.



I am hoping that some of these events may become annual activities for our group. If nothing else, it gives us a time and place to meet, have fun, and share an experience.

Be thinking about this Fall and please let me know about Anything you think would make a great Muletown Family outing!!



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

Nice to finally have the weather turning the corner to some consistent warmer temperatures! As the saying goes, "April showers, bring May flowers...and time in the garage getting our motorcycles tuned up for real riding!"

While you are keeping dry and getting things cleaned up, here is something to do with those old wore out tires from last season. If you don't need new tires, Bill may have an aftermarket display for old tires now. (Bill, I'll take 3 at no cost for the idea! ☺)

No little pieces this time. Just cut a couple of pieces of wood, pierce and bolt some old tires together, cover with an old or new Harley shirt and you are done. Bring your work as a 50/50 prize! Your assignment is below. Ride Safe, ~Doc



Source: <http://www.recyclart.org/2013/01/diy-stool-with-old-motorcycle-tires/>

Financial Report, Neil "Tex" Jones

We're holding our own financially this month. The club's account balance is \$646.68, after \$107.50 spent on patches for current and past officers. We took in \$111.00 from membership dues and the 50/50 drawing.

I have been on most of the rides so far, and enjoyed them. Spring weather, as long as it is dry, is great. I got to see some interesting parts of middle Tennessee as well as enjoying riding with friends.

There is nothing like riding in a group of Harleys. If you have not gone on a ride this year, I highly suggest it. Guaranteed to be fun.

~Tex

Scoot Stories, Neil "Tex" Jones

Just had a set of new tires put on my scoot this month and it reminded me of a story. Over the

many years I have been riding, I have had two tires blow out on the back and one on the front. Fortunately for us all, tires today are made much better, and short of riding into something really large and destructive, they are much less likely to blow out.

A few years ago I was headed from my home in Bon Aqua to Columbia, via road 230, aka Littlelot Road. (The story I heard was the community of Littlelot got its name from sometime in the 1800s when a man, after much begging/cajoling from the locals, reluctantly donated some land for the new church to be built. The lot donated was so small, barely exceeding the walls of the church, that people fussed

for generations about the "little lot" for the church. Don't know if it's true, but so the story goes.)

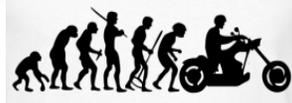
Anyway, back to road 230. I was riding in the wind going down that big hill when my back tire blew. It was swervey and squirrely and a bit touch and go there until I was able to bring it to a stop. This was before the days of cell phones so I had no way to call anyone. There was a house nearby, so I knocked on the door to see if I could use their phone. I explained my problem. The nice young man moved his Budweiser from his right hand to his left and shook my hand. He invited me in and offered me a Bud and said he had been stuck on the road before in a broken down vehicle and he knew what it was like. He said he was sure we could get the bike on his pickup. I thought about it for two

seconds and said okay, we can try it. He backed his truck in a ditch so we had the tailgate low enough for the two of us to load the bike. We roped it in and I rode in the back holding it steady. He dropped me off in Columbia where I waited for a new tire to be installed.

The next day I went by his house in my truck to thank him again. Unfortunately, no one was home. By the back door I left a case of Budweiser and thought of leaving a note but I did not have a pen and paper. But I figure he knew where it came from. Good country folk helped me out that day and he didn't have to, and I still remember that every time I ride by his house. This Bud's for you, my friend. ~Tex



Puzzles, Games, and Jokes



A man appeared before St. Peter at the Pearly Gates. "Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St. Peter asked. "Well, I can think of one thing," the man offered. "On a trip to the Big Horn Mountains out in

Wyoming I came upon a biker club who were threatening a young woman. I directed them to leave her alone, but they wouldn't listen to me. So, I approached the largest and most tattooed biker and smacked him in the face, kicked his motorcycle over, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. I yelled, 'Now, back off or I'll kick the crap out of all of you!' " St. Peter was impressed, "When did this happen?" He replied "Couple of minutes ago..."



Harley Davidson Crossword Puzzle

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| HERITAGE | STREETGLIDE |
| LOWRIDER | SUPERGLIDE |
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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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