



# Muletown H.O.G. Chapter 2033

## Newsletter



September/October 2012

### Editor's Note



By Eddie Zero

*Hope you like this edition of the newsletter! It reads like a variety show. A little bit of humor, little bit of facts and knowledge, and hopefully some entertainment for you the membership! Be sure to read Tex's continuing adventures of Ohio Bill!*

*As always, have Fun and Ride Safe!*

### Asst. Director's Report



By Ken Steverson

#### Do You Know Tennessee's Motorcycle Laws?

So you think you know all there is to know about Tennessee's motorcycle laws, well here is a little test of your knowledge. The answers are provided at the end of the article. Don't cheat by looking forward.

1. True or False: Tennessee recognizes motorcycle license endorsements from other states.
2. True or False: Tennessee requires that all motorcycles operated on public roads be equipped with a headlight and that the headlight be used during daylight hours. However, headlight modulators are not legal in Tennessee.
3. True or False: Protective eye wear, goggles or eye wear with safety glass are always required for those riding motorcycles.
4. True or False: Tennessee has strict regulations regarding the height of a motorcycle's handlebars.
5. True or False: Tennessee code does not address the practice of "lane splitting".
6. True or False: Tennessee code is silent concerning maximum sound levels for a

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### **Asst. Director's Report (cont.)**

motorcycle.

7. True or False: Tennessee code requires both left and right side mirrors for motorcycles ridden on public roads.
8. True or False: Riding motorcycles two abreast in the same lane is a legal riding practice in Tennessee.
9. True or False: Tennessee has an age restriction regarding passengers on a motorcycle.
10. True or False: When unrecognized at a red light a motorcyclist may proceed through the red light with due caution after a full stop.
11. True or False: Turn signals are required on all motorcycles ridden on public roads.

Here are your answers.

1. True: Other states motorcycle endorsements are recognized in Tennessee
2. False: The use of headlights during daylight hours is required, however, the use of headlight modulators is allowed by federal regulation. Tennessee law does not address headlight modulators.
3. False: Protective eye wear is not required if the motorcycle is equipped with a windscreen. Would you ride without protective eye wear? Not me!
4. False: Tennessee code does not restrict the height of handlebars.
5. False: Lane splitting is explicitly prohibited by state code.
6. True: Tennessee code does not address motorcycle maximum sound levels; it does, however, state that all motorcycles ridden on public roads must have a muffler.
7. False: Motorcycles ridden on public roads must have either a left side or right side mirror but are not required to have both.
8. True: It may not be a smart idea but riding two abreast in the same lane is a legal practice in Tennessee.
9. False: There are no age restrictions for passengers.
10. True: When unrecognized at a red light you may proceed with due caution after a full stop.
11. False: Turn signals are not required.

How did you do? My sources of information were the American Motorcycle Association and Tennessee Code Annotated.

## Financial Report



*By Jay Morgan*

Well fall is here already and the trees are turning colors. They are just starting to show. Be careful out there on the road, things can get a little slippery in those curves!

Time is really flying by. Only one more news letter after this one and we're into a new year. Lots of good things coming up ride wise, and the Christmas Party is just around the corner. A couple of new officers will be coming aboard also.

Things are looking up for the New Year. Attendance has been up the last couple of meetings and it looks like we found a pretty good place to meet!

As far as it goes for money, we are at \$738.41, paying out for flowers, a down payment on the Christmas party, 50/50 prizes, and a couple of picnic bills. We will be about where we should be by the end of the year.

Well that's it for now hope to see a lot of you out on the road,

## Activities Report



*By Denise  
Earlywine-Fisher*

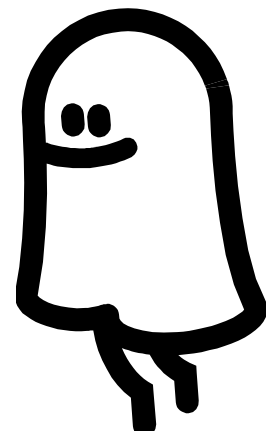
Our chapter picnic has come and gone. Turned out to be a great day and good times were had by all.

Thanks to all who were able to come on out and especially for the participation in our "silly" games.

Our Turkey Run is scheduled for November 17<sup>th</sup>. Please check the website for all the pertinent information as it is changing directions from previous years. This is also the last "scheduled" ride of the year and you wouldn't want to miss it.

The Christmas party is set for December 15<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-???. We have a new host location at the Pleasant Valley Grille in the Stoneybrook Golf Clubhouse. Should be yet another great party. More information to follow.

Make sure you check the website and calendar to find out all of the great rides and events coming your way.



## Head Road Captain's Report



By Jerry  
Knox

## My Favorite Time of Year

Well folks, we finally seem to be out of the unbearable heat of summer. You may not have heard, but I recently turned fifty. Yes, I know you all heard, thanks to Mary Jane. Thanks to her, I wound up getting sixty- five cards, and they came over the course of two weeks. We celebrated by taking a road trip on the Road King to the Smokies for a few days. All in all, it was a great relaxing trip, except for the white-knuckle trip home; three hundred miles, mostly in driving rain. Even at fifty, I can still handle getting very wet! Enough about that.

The weather has cooled down, and given us my favorite time of the year to ride, check out the changing of the seasons in the trees, and, ah yes, plenty of football! Here we are, already mid - October, and I wonder where the year went. To date, we have had some really great rides, and even though the remainder is few, what is left will be equally great. I know ya'll have heard me say this many times before, but Muletown Road Captains are awesome! They somehow always come up with new roads and rides, every year.

Going forward, I'm already thinking

about next year ( provided the Mayan calendar is a fluke) and what we can do to make each year better than the last. I'm always looking for new places to go, and how to get there, just as all the rest of the Road Captains do. We also like to hear your ideas as well. One of the fun things about being a Road Captain is having someone suggest a destination and then finding a route there yourself. Chances are the route will include a road or two we haven't been on. But before we start planning next year, come check out the handful of rides left this year and experience some fun, fellowship with friends, good roads, good food, and good times. 'Till then, see you on the road,

**Jerry**



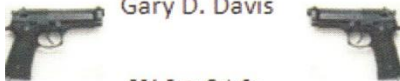
**Answers to July / August '12 Cryptogram**  
*Jimi Hendrix had a song in the movie Easy Rider called If Six was Nine*



## Muletown Resource List

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### Sept / October Birthdays



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Jerry Knox

(If you would like your birthday included in the newsletter, please send your information to [efisher77@bellsouth.net](mailto:efisher77@bellsouth.net))



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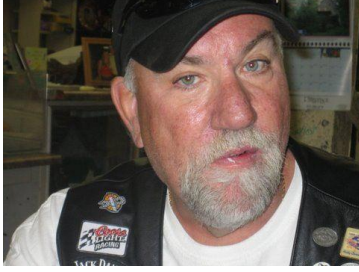
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# Membership Report



*By Terry Fox*

It's the middle of October already and the year is coming to an end but there is still a lot of good riding weather left. Just put on that leather or electric gear. We just got back from Gus' Chicken & what a great ride and perfect weather, too.

Since my last newsletter article, we picked up one new member, Steve Lynn, who brings us up to 52. Steve is a good friend of mine, a fellow bus driver, and resident of Culleoka. Some of y'all know him and that he bought Ken's old Fat Boy. But after a trip to Iowa, he was ready to move up to a '08 Street Glide. He is also in the wood business and a jack of all trades. Steve should be a good asset to our club. Till next time, Screw it lets Ride!!!

## **Safety Corner** *by Eddie Zero*

Fall can be one of the most beautiful times of year to ride. Brilliant colors, crisp air, and usually dry weather. Unfortunately it can also be one of the most dangerous times to ride.

One of the greatest hazards this time of year is deer. It is mating season and the deer will run out onto the road in front of you whether you are on a bike or in a car. Early morning and at dusk are the greatest times for an encounter.

Leaves piled up on the road can also present a problem. Naturally this time of year there are some leaves on the road and they usually are not a source of trouble. It is the pile of wet leaves in corners that can cause you to slide, or the huge pile that was swept up on the side of the road that hides a pot hole that can cause an accident.

One other weather related thing to be aware of this time of year is fog. Warm afternoons and cold nights can cause fog in the morning which obstructs your view.



## **Muletown HOG Chapter #2033**

### Officers

Director – Bill Isom  
Assistant Director – Ken Stevenson  
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*Can you name all of the parts that made these statues?*



# Muletown Crossword Puzzle

## 70's Famous Guitarists

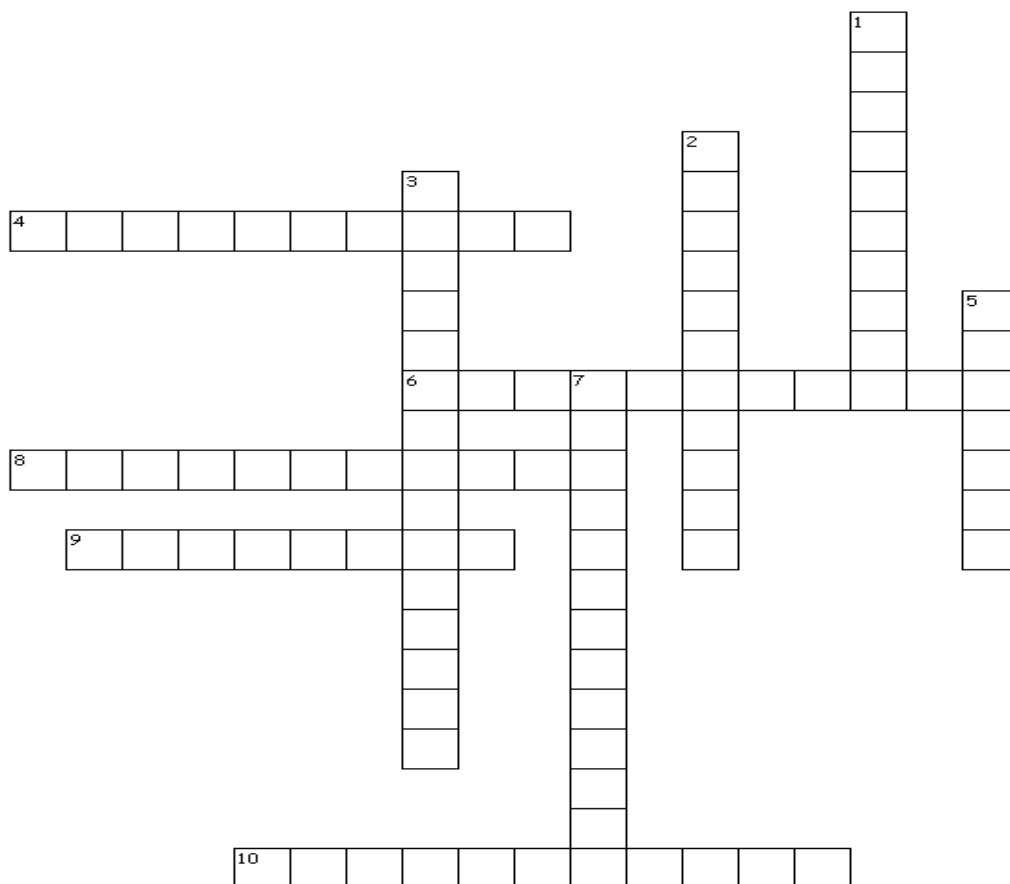
*The answers to the puzzle are famous guitarists of the 1970's. The clue may be a song they played, or band they were in, etc. See how good your memory is!! Try not to google!!*

### Across

4. Stairway leads to heaven
6. He is slow with his hands
8. He fly's like an eagle
9. Beer of the same name
10. He is grateful

### Down

1. The great Fatsby
2. Played in the nut brothers band
3. His band had a deep color
5. May find him in a purple haze
7. Woman with black magic





# **Scoot Stories**

*by Neil "Tex" Jones*

It's funny how I can be looking at something I see every day and suddenly remember a story that makes me smile. In cleaning up my bike the other day as I rubbed down the highway pegs, I thought of a scoot trip I took with seven other guys. Of course, the star of the story is Ohio Bill.

We were on an overnight trip to the east Tennessee twisties. As any rider knows, having your feet up high on highway pegs throws your balance and raises your center of gravity and is dangerous on tight curves. As most any rider should know I guess, because Ohio Bill, who was riding just ahead of me, still had his legs up high on his pegs as we cut through the curves. Sure enough, in a tight turn, he lost his balance and his control and cut across the other lane and took a lashing from small tree limbs as he cut his own trail into the woods.

Just before he left the road, I heard him holler, "Ooohhh shoooooot!" (Well, that may not have been exactly what he said, but it was close.) He bounced left and right but rode the bucking bike and then slid over in the loose dirt and leaves. He wound up with his one side of his handlebars spiked in the dirt like a plow.

We helped him out and he and his bike were okay for the most part. Bill spit dirt out of his mouth for a few seconds, and his handlebars were bent with the right side shoved up about even with the headlight and the left one about halfway back by the gas tank. But he could drive the motorcycle, even as cockeyed as it looked.

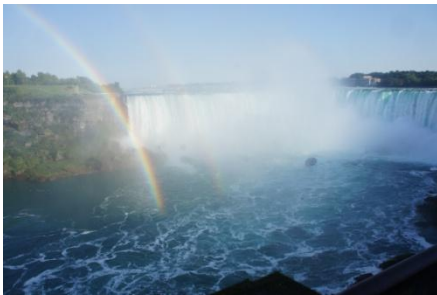
And come to think of it, I never did see him use his highway pegs for the rest of the trip.

Let's saddle up and ride. Tex

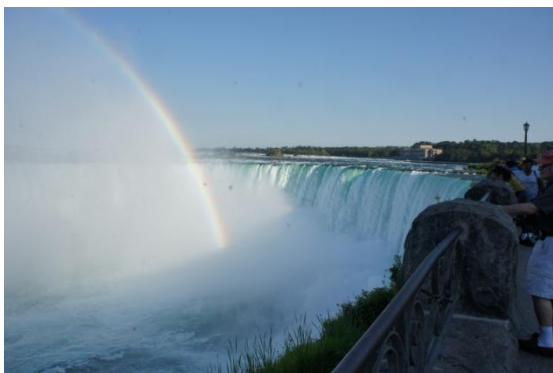
## ***Muletown Member's Adventures***

Niagra Falls Trip - submitted by Eddie Zero

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*View from the Canadian Side*



My Electra Glide  
and friend Doug's  
Road Glide Ultra.



Niagra on the  
Lake, Ontario

Niagra River



## A Little Humor

A THREE YEAR OLD BOY IS SITTING ON THE TOILET.

HIS MOTHER THINKS HE HAS BEEN IN THERE TOO LONG, SO SHE GOES IN TO SEE WHAT'S UP.

THE LITTLE BOY IS SITTING ON THE TOILET 'READING' A BOOK. BUT ABOUT EVERY 15 SECONDS OR SO, HE PUTS THE BOOK DOWN, GRIPS ONTO THE TOILET SEAT WITH HIS LEFT HAND AND HITS HIMSELF ON TOP OF HIS HEAD WITH HIS RIGHT HAND.

HIS MOTHER SAYS: "BILLY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU'VE BEEN IN HERE FOR A WHILE." BILLY SAYS: "I'M FINE, MOMMY. I JUST HAVEN'T GONE POTTY YET."

MOTHER SAYS: "OK, YOU CAN STAY HERE A FEW MORE MINUTES. BUT, BILLY, WHY ARE YOU HITTING YOURSELF ON THE HEAD?"

BILLY SAYS: "WORKS FOR KETCHUP."

Why Teachers Drink....

**The following questions were asked in GED examination.**

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q. How is dew formed

A. The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire

Q. What causes the tides in the oceans

A. The tides are a fight between the earth and the moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins the fight

Q. In a democratic society, how important are elections

A. Very important. Sex can only happen when a male gets an election

Q. What are steroids

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs (Shoot yourself now , there is little hope)

Q. Name a major disease associated with cigarettes

A. Premature death

Q. What is artificial insemination

A. When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow



Q. How can you delay milk from turning sour

A. Keep it in the cow (Simple, but brilliant)

Q. How are the main 20 parts of the body categorized (e.g. The abdomen)

A. The body is consisted into 3 parts - the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels: A, E, I,O,U.. (wtf!)

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. What is the most common form of birth control

A. Most people prevent contraception by wearing a condominium (That would work)

Q. What is a seizure?

A. A Roman Emperor. (Julius Seizure, I came, I saw, I had a fit)

Q. What is a terminal illness

A. When you are sick at the airport. (Irrefutable)

Q. What does the word 'benign' mean?

A. Benign is what you will be after you be eight (brilliant)



## Muletown Event Calendar

| Date   | Time     | Event                                     | Destination / Place                  |
|--------|----------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Oct 20 | 10:00 am | A-Ride<br>(Closed Event)                  | Champy's Chicken / Muscle Shoals, AL |
| Nov 3  | TBD      | B-Ride<br>(Closed Event)                  | Shilo Military Park / Counce, TN     |
| Nov 17 | 10:00 am | Annual Turkey Run<br>(Open Event)         | TBD                                  |
| Dec 15 | 7:00 pm  | Chapter Christmas Party<br>(Closed Event) | Stoneybrook Golf Clubhouse           |
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