



Muletown H.O.G. Chapter 2033 Newsletter



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Editor's Note

By Eddie Zero

Spring and prime riding season is here!! Can I get an Amen! Already these last two months we have had a couple of good rides with many more planned. What you say.... You heard those rides were great, you really wanted to go, but just couldn't make it? Or, you went on the ride and want to experience it again? Well you're in luck. Starting with this edition of the newsletter we are including routes of the recently completed chapter rides.

This edition we again welcome a new member and include a biography. If you are a new member or even an old member, I encourage you to submit a bio. You can get a form from Jay Morgan.

And be sure to look at Patty and Rodney's trip to SC with included route and pictures.

Try your hand at the crossword puzzle, the answers may surprise you.

As always, have Fun and Ride Safe!

Asst. Director's Report



By Ken Steverson

We're off to a great 2011 riding season. We have two rides under our belt and a successful pancake breakfast and silent auction. There is plenty more to come and it only gets better! Check out the calendar on the Muletown web site and take note of all the outstanding rides planned for the future.

I'd like to let you know about a couple of things going on in the motorcycling world. Georgia and New York have initiated motorcycle only checkpoints. There are serious concerns about these programs and their intent. On March 3rd Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) introduced a bill that would prohibit the federal Department of Transportation from providing grants or funds to a state, county, town, township, municipality, or local government to be used for any program to create checkpoints for a motorcycle driver or passenger.

The AMA is tracking the use of motorcycle only checkpoints. If you want additional information about these checkpoints visit

www.americanmotorcyclist.com.

The 20th annual Ride to Work Day is scheduled for Monday, June 20th. Over 1 million motorcyclist and scooter riders are expected to participate.

Noteworthy benefits of riding to work include reduced traffic and parking congestion and reduced fuel consumption. For more

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information about the Ride to Work Day visit www.ridetowork.com.

Activities Report



By Rodney Schmitt

Muletown's Kicking!!



We wish to thank everyone for their efforts in selling tickets and assistance with all the events around our Annual Pancake Breakfast!

We plan to keep up the variety of ride and activity choices for this year. We have received some great ride recommendations already. Denise Earlywine has some contacts and recommended a ride, lunch, and tour of an Alpaca Farm...sounds interesting. We also have plans for an Amish run and wagon ride tour!

Please keep your ride recommendations for Dinner Rides, Day Rides, and Overnights coming! We would like to hear and post your Non-Chapter routes and destinations you believe our members would enjoy!

PR & myself enjoyed a wonderful weekend

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Membership/Financial Report



By Jay Morgan

Greetings,

Second Newsletter already! Well we have had a couple of good rides already and it felt good to get out in the wind again! Now that we are starting to settle down we are at 56 members with the newest being Donnie Derryberry. Welcome aboard Donnie.

We were at 63 last year so we lost a few good members. I hate to see them leave but maybe they will be back later this year. It looks as though there are a lot of good rides planned for the rest of the year. Just recently took 25 more invite letters to the dealer to be given out to people who by a new bike. Remember to invite your friends down for a ride or a guest dinner ride some time. Also want to say a Hello to our friends in the D.C. area, hope all is well there. The pancake bk turned out well. Just can't say thanks enough for all the help and the people who sold all those tickets. Considering the weather the turnout was great. We had a couple of people sell over 40 + tickets and that's no easy task. Again, THANKS! All said and done after we paid the bills the balance was 1126.16 Plus another 430.00 for the Hope House. So all is well.

Peace, Jay Morgan

Activities Report

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trip to Greenville, SC that we would highly recommend. If you enjoy casual riding on curvy creekside back roads with the freedom to dump your helmet at the SC Border you may like this one.

Once in Greenville you can enjoy a beautiful downtown riverwalk through Reedy Park www.fallspark.com and a downtown area with unique shops and restaurants. Greenville, SC has incredible roads and is a must visit city! www.greenvillesc.gov While traveling back to Spring Hill/Columbia be sure to route through Helen, GA. A little German-theme village that's a perfect lunch stop for a brat and large stein of beer, while sitting next to the downtown river watching the tubers floating by! Helen, GA is www.helenga.org another great getaway and riding stop!! Be sure to check these two locations out as we are confident you will enjoy the scenic roads and one of a kind destinations!

Your ride and activity recommendations can be submitted on the "Ride Suggestion" link on www.muletownrider.com or directly at rschmitt@usit.net. So keep your suggestions coming and remember... Screw it, Let's Ride!

*Don't forget to submit your mileage for participation in our Multi-Chapter Mileage Contest. Every mile counts, so whether you ride 100 miles or 10,000 miles a year we need your support! **REMINDER: Please submit your 2011 starting mileage immediately (rschmitt@usit.net) to be included!***

Head Road Captain's Report



By Eddie Mann

Did you see the movie Wild Hogs where the buddies are riding together, side by side, not a care in the world and figure it was time for the old fist bump. Next thing you know they're running off the road and in to things. This is one of the main reasons at every pre-ride safety meeting you hear that the group will be riding in staggered formation. Staggered formation riding means more than just going down the road staggered. You have the.....

One-second rule: The bike on your left or right should not be less than one second ahead of you.

Two-second rule: Maintain at least two seconds between you and the rider directly in front of you.

Four-second rule: Look ahead four seconds at your immediate path of travel to give yourself more time to react to a hazard.

Twelve-second rule: Also look ahead at you anticipated path of travel. About a city block. So when would you not be staggered? Stopping at an Intersection.

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Break staggered formation and pull beside the bike in the adjacent lane. When the ride leader has determined it is safe, he/she will proceed, followed by the #2 bike, #3 bike, #4 bike etc. Ride your own ride. Only proceed when you feel it is safe to do so. If you don't make it though the intersection with the group, RELAX, proceed when safe and someone will be waiting on you at the next turn. There are a lot of great rides planned for the year. Hope to see you on the road.

Eddie

Miss Annie's Ride



Crawdaddy's Ride



Safety Corner

Evaluate Your Own Riding

Riding a motorcycle safely is more a skill of the eyes and mind than of the hands and feet. The mental aspect of effectively and efficiently negotiating the traffic jungle and the variety of riding environments is the cornerstone of safe and responsible riding.

Riders may be able to gain valuable insight into their personal riding habits and techniques by reflecting on what they actually do when cornering. When negotiating corners on your next ride, notice where your attention is. How far do you look through a turn? Do you spend your time looking at the end of the curve or at the tangent point? Is it the same for all curves or do you adjust for variations? How do you divide your attention between surface conditions and path of travel? How often do you catch yourself fixating? Can you tell the difference in your awareness when you tell your eyes what to look for instead of relying on your eyes to pick up important factors?

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Chapter Ride Routes

Miss Annie's Restaurant & Beer Garden St. Joseph, TN 03/19/2011

Travel to St Joseph, TN

From HD Dealer
R Hwy 412 (1m)
R Carpenter Bridge Rd/Bolton Rd (6m)
R Lewisburg Pike/Hwy 431 (3m Berlin, 4m 7m)
L Hwy 50 (1m Lewisburg)
R W Ellington Pkwy/Hwy 417 (2m)
R Mooresville Hwy/Hwy 373 (6m Mooresville)
L Bear Creek Rd (3m)
R Fowler Hollow Rd/Mullins Rd (2m Bivens)
R Hwy 129 (2m)
L Trade Branch Rd/Blue Creek/Hyde Rd (5m)
L Buford Station Rd (1m)
R Odd Fellows Hall Rd (5m Berea)
Continue Pigeon Roost Rd (5m)
L Hwy 31 (.1m)
R Industrial Loop/Hwy 31 Bypass (1m Pulaski)
R Mines Rd (1m)
L Campbellsville Rd/Hwy 166 (1m)
R Hwy 64 (3m) Gas Stop 51m
L Agnew Rd (7m)
L Fall River Rd/Powell Rd (1m Anthony Hill)
R Minor Hill Rd/Hwy 11 (.1m)
L Oak Grove Rd (1m)
Continue L Dog Branch Rd (5m)
R Stella Rd (3m Stella)
R Bass Rd (3m)
ALTERNATE ROUTE – R Shoal Creek Rd (2m)
L Tacket Branch Rd (1m)
R Salem Rd (1m)
TRUE ROUTE Continue Alsup Hollow Rd (1m)
R Salem Rd (2m Minor Hill)
L Hwy 11 (.5m)
R Wray Branch Rd (2m)
L Puncheon Branch Rd (1m)
L Sugar Creek (2m)
R Hwy 11 (1m)
R Warren Hollow Rd (3m) 35m Gas Stop
L Appleton Rd (6m Bonnertown)
Continue Bonnertown Rd/Cty Rd 489 (4m)
R Lauderdale Ct Rd/Cty Rd 486 (.5m)
R Wheeler Dam Hwy/Hwy 101 (.1m)
L Lauderdale Cty 484/Cty Rd 484 (1m)
R Peppertown Rd/Cty Rd 48 (.5m)
Continue L Peppertown Rd/Cty Rd 48 (2m)
Continue L State Line Rd (5m)
R Cty Rd 136/464 (2m)

L Cty Rd 39 (4m)
R Cty Rd 47 (2m)
R Hwy 43 (2m 3926 Hwy 43 – Miss Annie's) 35m

Total Mileage 113

Travel Spring Hill, TN

North Main St (1m)

L McIntyre Rd (.5m)
R Quillen St (.1m)
L Bluff Rd (6m)
L Busby Rd (1m Chinubee, 1m 2m)
R Tennessee St/Hwy 242 (10m Gandy,
3m Lawrenceburg 13m) **GAS STOP**
L Hwy 64 (4m)
R Hwy 241 (1m Red Hill, 4m 5m)
R Hwy 240 (4m Henryville, 6m 10m)
R Hwy 20 (2m Summertown)
L Hwy 43 (20m Columbia, 6m Home, 26m)

Total Mileage 70

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Chapter Ride Routes

Crawdaddy's West Side Grill Cookeville, TN

04/02/2011

- RT out of HD of Columbia on HWY 99
- LFT on HWY 431 (Lewisburg Pike)
- RT on Bethesda-Duplex Rd
- RT on Arno Rd
- RT on 31A
- LFT on HWY 269 to Eagleville, TN
- Straight through light on HWY 99
- RT on Rockvale Rd
- RT on Concord Rd (HWY 269)
- RT on HWY 231
- LFT on HWY 269 to Bell Buckle, TN (Rest Stop at Gas Station in Bell Buckle)
- Head North out of Bell Buckle, TN on HWY 82
- LFT on HWY 64 East
- RT on HWY 70S East to Woodbury, TN
- LFT on HWY 53
- RT on HWY 70 East towards Smithville, TN
- LFT on HWY 96 (Rest Stop at Gas Station just before Center Hill Lake Dam)
- Cross Center Hill Lake Dam, continue north on HWY 96
- RT on HWY 70N East to Cookeville, TN

- LFT on Cedar St in Cookeville, TN
- RT into paved parking on Cedar St
- Walk to Corner of Cedar St and West Broad St
- Arrive at Crawdaddy's 53 West Broad St

Total Mileage 175

Return to Spring Hill, TN

- LFT on Cedar St.
- RT on Walnut
- RT on Interstate Dr
- LFT on Willow
- RT onto I40 West
- Exit onto HWY 56 turn Left
- RT on HWY 70 in Smithville, TN
- LFT on HWY 96
- RT on Northline in Murfreesboro, TN
- RT on Broad
- Enter Ramp for Hwy 840 West
- Exit I65 South
- Exit Saturn PKWY West

Total Mileage 150

Member Rides

Submitted by Rodney and Patty Schmitt

Greenville, SC Trip

Travel to Greenville, SC

Hwy 412/99 (6m)
R Hwy 431 (1m)
L Hwy 99 (8m)
R Hwy 31A (8m Farmington)
L Hwy 64 (16m Shelbyville 4m 20m)
R Hwy 41A (14m Tullahoma)
L Hwy 55 (1m)
R Forrest Blvd/Arnold Center Rd (10m)
R Miller Crossroad Rd (2m)
L Winchester Hwy/Hwy 127 (4m Hillsboro)
R Hillsboro Hwy/Hwy 41 (9m Pelham, 7m Monteagle, 7m Tracey City, 16m Jasper,
7m Halletown, 14m Chattanooga 60m)
I-24 EAST/I-75 North (12m)
Exit #3A R E Brainerd Rd/Hwy 320/Cty Rd 1143 (11m)
R Wesleyann/Weatherly Switch Rd/Hwy 317 (8m)
L Dalton Pike/Hwy 60 (7m Cleveland)
R Plantation Dr (.1m)
L Trewhitt Rd/Durkee Rd (3m)
R Hwy 64 (33m Ducktown, 5m NC Border, 20m Murphy, 14m Haynesville 72m)
R Hwy 69 (4m GA Border)
Continue Hwy 17 (3m)
R Sunnyside Rd/Hwy 288 (6m)
R Hwy 2/76 (1m Macedonia, 23m Clayton 24m)
Continue Rickman Dr/Warwoman Rd (14m Pine Mtn)
R Hwy 28 (2m SC Border, 6m Mtn Rest, 11m Walhalla 19m)
L N Catherine St/Hwy 183 (18m)
R Hwy 133 (3m Six Mile)
L Hwy 137 (5m)
L Hwy 93 (4m Liberty, 5m Easley 9m)
R Ross Ave (.5m)
L Hwy 123 (13m Greenville)
R N Main St (.1m 407 N Main St – **Holiday Inn Exp**)
(Walk south to Reedy River Falls/Liberty Bridge)

Total Mileage 367

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Member Rides

Submitted by Rodney and Patty Schmitt

Travel to Home – Spring Hill, TN

South on Main Str (.1m)

R College St (.5m)

R Buncombe St/Hwy 183 (19m Picken, 26m Walhalla, 8m Westminster **53m**)

R Hwy 76 (13m Long Creek, 5m GA Border, 8m Clayton **26m**)

L Hwy 441 (**3m**)

R Hwy 441 Con/Tiger Con (**1m** Tiger)

Continue Bridge Creek Rd (**10m**)

R Burton Dam Rd (**3m**)

L Hwy 197 (**4m**)

Continue Hwy 255 (**8m**)

R Hwy 17 (4m Helen, 1m **5m**)

L Hwy 75A (**2m**)

R Richard Russell Hwy/Hwy 348 (**14m**)

L Cty Rd 180 (**1m**)

R Hwy 11/19/129 (**2m**)

L Owltown Rd (**6m**)

R Mulky Gap Rd (**1m**)

L Blue Ridge Hwy (**8m**)

L Hwy 76/515 (12m Blue Ridge, 8m Cherry Log, 6m **26m**)

R Hwy 2/5 (2m Ellijay, 4m **6m**)

R Hwy 382 (**10m**)

R Hwy 136 (6m Oakman, 10m Nickesville, 6m I-75, 15m Villanow, 7m Naomi,

4m LaFayette **48m**)

L S Chattanooga St (.5m)

R Main St/Hwy 193 (8m Davis Crossroads, 5m Cooper Heights **10m**)

L Hwy 136 (12m Trenton/I-59, 3m **15m**)

Continue R White Oak Gap Rd/Cty Rd 6 (**1m**)

Continue R Hwy 301 (**6m** AL Border)

Continue Cty Rd 90 (**2m**)

R Hwy 73 (**5m** TN Border)

Continue Hwy 377 (**1m**)

L Hwy 156 (3m New Hope, 3m South Pittsburg **6m**)

L N Cedar Ave (.5m)

R 2nd St/Hwy 156 (**25m**)

L Hwy 41 (2m Sewanee, 5m **7m**)

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Member Rides

R Hawkins Cove Rd (1m)

L Georgia Crossing Rd (2m)

R Greenhaw Rd (2m)

L Blue Spring Rd (4m Dechard)

L Main St (1m)

R Hwy 41A (5m Estill Springs, 8m Tullahoma 13m)

L Hwy 55 (1m)

R Hwy 130 (18m Shelbyville)

L Depot St (.5m)

R Main St/Hwy 41 (8m)

L Hwy 270 (9m)

Continue Hwy 99 (17m Spring Hill)

Total Mileage 394

Total Trip Mileage 761



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Member Rides



MEMBER'S BIOGRAPHIES

NEW MEMBER: TONY CORNELIUS

- **WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST BIKE?**

STARTED RIDING AN INDIAN 50 WHEN I WAS 8 OR 9. WISH I STILL HAD IT

- **WHEN AND WHAT PROMOTED YOU TO START RIDING?**

FROM A FAMILY THAT ALWAYS HAD MINI-BIKES, MOTORCYCLES, SNOWMOBILES, RACE CARS- I NEVER HAD A CHANCE NOT TO RIDE.

- **WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR MOST MEMORABLE MOTORCYCLE RIDE/TRIP SINCE YOU HAVE BEEN RIDING?**

WHEN I WAS 18 OR 19, A GROUP OF US RODE TO APPLE RIVER, WISCONSIN AND HAD A GREAT TIME TUBING AND CAMPING.

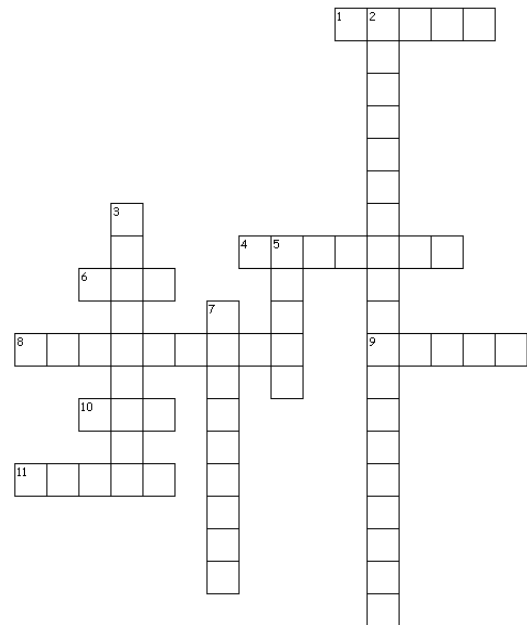
- **WHAT WOULD BE YOUR DREAM MOTORCYCLE RIDE/VACATION?**

I'VE BEEN TO THE BLACK HILLS, BUT I HAVE NEVER RIDDEN IT – THAT WOULD BE AWESOME.

- **FROM A SAFETY POINT, WHAT WAS YOUR MOST FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE AND WHAT RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD YOU PROVIDE TO OTHERS TO PREVENT IT?**

I HIT A CAR THAT WAS BACKING OUT OF A PARKING SPACE AS I CAME AROUND A CORNER. (I WAS ACCELERATING TOO FAST) AND I COULDN'T STOP IN TIME. DEFENSE IS THE BEST OFFENSE. I TRY TO ALWAYS STAY ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE MOTORCYCLE IN MY MIND.

Muletown Puzzle



Across

- Where did Rodney recommend a stop?
- Spiders and this person is a master of the web
- Who in the club looks like a famous rock star?
- Where you find Eddie Campbell
- Who Did Jay say is our newest member?
- How many years has there been a Muletown Hog club?
- We Encountered this on the first ride this year

Down

- What model bike does Neil Jones ride?
- What is the name of the newest Softail bike?
- How many Eddies are there in the club?
- Who teaches how to hide the peace?

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Muletown Event Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Destination / Place
April 19 th	7 pm	April Membership Meeting (Open Event)	Pancho's Spring Hill, TN
May 7 th	9 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Brass Lantern Lawrenceburg, TN
May 17 th	7 pm	May Membership Meeting (Open Event)	Buffalo Wild Wings Spring Hill, TN
May 19 th	6 pm	Dinner Ride (Closed Event)	Cajun Steamer Bar and Grill Franklin, TN
May 21 st	9 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Sewanee, TN
June 11 th	9 am	B – Ride (Closed Event)	Big Sandy, TN
June 18 th	9 am	B – Ride (Closed Event)	Rattlesnake Saloon Tuscumbia, TN
June 23 rd	6 pm	Dinner Ride (Closed Event)	TBD
June 27 th	6 pm	Million Mile Monday and June Membership Meeting (Meeting – Open Event) (Ride – Closed Event)	Meet at HD of Columbia / Ride to Bruster's
July 9 th	9 am	B – Ride (Closed Event)	Mustang Café Loretto, TN
July 16 th	9 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Sarge's Shack Frankewing, TN
Aug 6 th	9 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Alpaca Farm Ardmore, AL
Aug 20 th	9 am	B – Ride (Closed Event)	Handle Bars Restaurant and Rock Island Park Smithville, TN
Sept 3 rd	10 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Summertown Bluegrass Festival Summertown, TN (note \$10.00 Admission)
Sept 17 th	9 am	Chapter Ride and Picnic (Picnic – Open Event) (Ride – Closed Event)	Chickasaw Trace Park Columbia, TN
Oct 1 st	10 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Amish Buggy Ride Etheridge, TN



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Date	Time	Event	Destination / Place
Oct 15 th and 16 th	8 am	Maggie Valley Tour – Overnighter B – Ride (Closed Event)	Maggie Valley, NC Details TBD
Nov 5th	9 am	A – Ride (Closed Event)	Restaurant TBD Muscle Shoals, AL