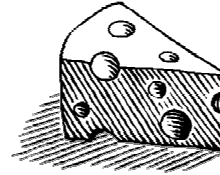
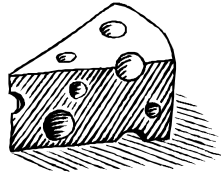


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NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Can you believe it is already July? Summer is half over, but the spring rains have just stopped. Now, let's get out and ride. I heard a few of our members talking about trying to take in the State Rally in the Baraboo area, but with the rains, floods and all the road closures, it was very difficult. I hope some of you did have fun, under normal conditions, it usually is a great time. With all the rain and roads washed out, please be careful out there.

We had a group of 8 members travel to the Quad Cities area the first weekend in June. We had a little rain on Sunday, but all in all, we had a fun time. Please plan on attending the 3 day ride in July. Dave and Lori Wehinger are planning a fun trip out to Boone, Iowa. Dave has promised great weather and lots of great food, plenty of reasons to ride with us.

Thank you to Leroy Rindy for leading the June dinner ride to the Cove. It was a beautiful evening to ride to the Apple River Canyon area, and the food was great as usual. Sixteen of us had a very enjoyable time, thanks to you Leroy. Please, if you are signed up to plan a dinner ride, and for some reason you are unable to fulfill your commitment, call me anytime, or at least call Kutters so they can give us the message. We have too much fun attending these events, and usually have a good sized group of people looking forward to the ride, not to do your part as you said you would.

Steve Zinsli has agreed to step in as Safety Officer, so please welcome him into the position. If you have questions or concerns about the safety of our club, please talk to Steve or myself, and we will address them. Steve is a semi retired EMT out of the Madison area, so he will be a natural at this, we are fortunate to have someone with his talents and education in this life saving area. He has some great ideas that he wants to discuss at some of our meetings or different events. We look forward to learning from you Steve.

Have a great July riding your favorite roads. You will notice a few of us missing at the July meeting, 14 of our chapter members are on a ride doing just that. We are riding the Natchez Trace Trail, from Natchez, Mi. to Nashville, Tn. Hope to see all of you on the July 16th dinner ride.

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The last **THANK YOU** goes out to Joann Kutter and her staff at the Janesville and Monroe stores for the FANTASTIC MVP PARTY held on June 21st. Those attending were treated to some more great food and drinks, and sales throughout the store. If you have not signed up for MVP, you have no idea the fun and entertainment you are missing. **THANK YOU AGAIN, KUTTER H-D.**

Dennis Holcomb, Chapter Director
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

Meet the Member

*This month, become acquainted with
one of our chapter's members.*

Name: **Michael Cox**

When Did You Join Swiss Valley H.O.G.? May 2008

What Do You Ride? '06 Road King

Why Do You Ride? Fun, Relaxation, Stress Relief

What Was/Is Your Favorite Ride? Space Coast to Keys

What is Your Dream Bike? My dream is fulfilled.

What is Your Dream Ride? Would like to ride out west, Tetons to Grand Canyon.

What is Your Favorite Thing to Do When Not Riding? Getting ready to ride.

What Else Do You Want to Share About Yourself, Your Family or Riding?
I have 2 sons, Douglas (20) & Troy (14). I hit a Ford LTD head on in 1976 in San Diego, CA. Survived, no broken bones but knees were pretty scraped up. Kawasaki dirt bike was pretty messed up.

July Birthdays

7-1 Dawn Wolfe
7-1 Lori Foulker
7-8 Ron Smith
7-20 Eugene Clement
7-20 Jeff Wright
7-22 Dan Reinbold
7-25 John Deackman
7-29 Diane Holcomb



Calendar of Events: 2-Months At a Glance

2008 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley
Owners Group
Chapter Events available online at
www.swissvalleyhog.com

--JULY--

- 9th **HOG Meeting**
7:00 p.m.
Roadhouse, Monroe
- 13th **MVP Gold Brunch
and Ride** – New Glarus
- 16th **Wednesday Dinner Ride**
- 25th-27th **Summer 3-Day Overnight
Ride** – Boone, Iowa
Sign up @ Kutter's

--AUGUST--

- 3rd **Sunday Brunch Ride:**
DeSoto House
- 13th **HOG Meeting**
7:00p.m.
Roadhouse, Monroe
- 17th **Morning Ride**
9:00am – 11:30 am
- 17th **Chapter Picnic**
(location TBD), 11:30am
- 20th **Wednesday Dinner Ride**



Membership Meeting Minutes

Director: Dennis (Hokie) Holcomb

- Called meeting to order with 32 members present and led Pledge of Allegiance
- Thanked volunteers that worked at Kutters Open House
- Next dinner ride will be Wed. June 18th led by Ron Webb to the Cove at Apple Canyon Lake
- Last weekend small group went on overnight ride to Iowa. Clinton HOG Chapter met them and led them on a ride.
- Next overnight (3 days) ride is scheduled for July 25 –27th, planned by David Wehringer, to Boone, Iowa. Reservations can be made at americaninn.com or (515)432-4322
- Thanked Kutters for getting orange safety vests for Road Captains to wear on group rides
- Reviewed correspondence: MDA Ride with 105th
 - Bike Time in Michigan July 18 – 20th, brochures available
 - MVP – Cruisin' America with Kutters – take pictures with state signs, earn more points for states further away

Assistant Director: Steve Jacobs (not in attendance)

- WI State HOG Rally this weekend in Baraboo, WI (few members attending)
- Iowa HOG Rally is June 19-21st in Bettendorf, IA
- Little Sturgis in Quad Cities also this weekend

Treasurer: Mike Schmid

- Open House food trailer net profit \$700. and 50/50 profit \$230.
- SV HOG Patches and Pins available for sale – will order more patches

Secretary: Donna Reel

- 71 current members

Kutter H.D. Representative: Scott Golackson

- **Kutter Open House was successful**
- Thanks to the new officers and to Fuzzy for filling in as Interim Director when needed
- Check out Kutter website for events
- MDA ride and Canoe Fest this weekend. Looking for flag pullers for MDA ride – need trailer hitch on bike
- Kutter night at speedway was cancelled due to weather
- MVP party moved to Janesville on June 21st from 6 – 8:00p.m.
 - Encouraged everyone to join if not a member already
- Introduced Ryan Kerchner as guest from Kutters

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Membership Meeting Minutes – (continued)

- Sat. Aug. 2nd is Cruise Night in Freeport
 - Poker Run out of P.J.'s Stephenson Street Station will stop at Kutters
 - Asked if chapter would grill brats for lunch. Kutters offered to purchase brats. Members discussed and agreed to work the brat lunch stand on Sat. Aug. 2nd

Head Road Captain: Leroy Rindy

- Dinner ride scheduled for June 18th - other Wed. dinner rides need volunteers to plan and lead ride
- “Chicken run” is planned for June 29th in Rockton, WI – leave Kutters at 9:30 a.m.
- Staging for bikes behind orange cones in parking lot
- Fall overnight weekend moved back a week so it is scheduled for Oct. 11 & 12th to Wabasha, Minnesota

Safety Officer: Open Position

- Steve Zinsli volunteered to take on this position. Dennis Holcomb shared that he has experience in emergency care but isn't able to attend all events. Steve Zinsli is appointed the Safety Officer.

Editor: Jody Jacobs

- Thanked everyone who provides articles for the newsletter

Webmaster: Steve Jacobs (not in attendance)

- www.swissvalleyhog.com, newsletters available, password is svhog

Other:

- Forgot to give “Free Lunch” at last dinner ride. Drew name - Tom Holmes won and donated it back. Toby Meier's name was then drawn and Kutters will give him his dinner cost at Fiesta Cancun.
- Discussed sponsoring a rivet at H-D Museum. Members voted and agreed to get a small rivet for \$250.
- Susie Bottoms is accepting donations for the MDA Tub Run this weekend.
- Chris Clement donated an embroidered Harley-Davidson logo micro-fiber towel to give as a door prize. Thanks to Chris (and her mother who embroidered the towel)

Door Prizes: \$10. gift certificates to Kutters, donated by Kutters, won by Toby Meier and Fuzzy Karlen and Julie Holmes chose the H-D towel donated by Chris Clement.

50/50: Tom Bottoms won \$35.00 and donated \$15.00 back to the chapter Next HOG Chapter Meeting: Wed. July 9th at Roadhouse in Monroe, WI

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Road Captain Report

Hi everyone - welcome to summer! Hope everyone is getting some riding in between the rains. With all the rain and flooding we have had, it's making riding more dangerous with washed out roads and extra gravel washed onto the roads, we have to be extra careful and alert.

Thanks to all those who rode to The Cove on our June dinner ride. It was a beautiful evening and we enjoyed a great dinner at the Cove Restaurant.

Our next ride will be Sunday, June 29th to Rockton, WI for a great chicken dinner at the Rockton Bar. So far, I believe we have 36 people going. If you have never been there, it's an awesome ride and a great meal. The ride leaves Kutter at 9:30 AM on Sunday morning. The bar has an outside BBQ pit and cooks in excess of 500 chickens every Sunday from April through October. Rockton consists of a bar, a fur/leather store and maybe a house or two. What a great niche to help a small business be profitable.

Our next evening dinner ride will be July 16. Our 3 day overnight ride will be July 25, 26 & 27, going to Boone, IA. If you have not joined us for an overnight ride, you're missing a lot of good riding and a lot of fun. If you would like to go on the overnight ride but haven't signed up yet, check with Road Captain Dave Wehinger for details.

Hope to see everyone on the 29th. Ride safe and have fun.

Ridin' to Rockton,

Leroy Rindy, Head Road Captain
 Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

Safety Officer Report

Well here it is , July. As the summer goes by I just want to remind everyone that some roads are still closed. Was riding over by Fort Atkinson and River Rd. and state Hwy. 106 still are under water. So ride safe and watch out coming over a hill or around a corner. Might be some debris on the road.

Also I am checking into a class that I found in one of our EMS magazines. It has to do with what to do should something happen during a ride. If there is an accident which might be in your group or one your group comes upon. If there is an interest I will see about getting the class set up.

Steve Zinsli, Safety Officer
 Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

Spring Overnight Ride

Just A Note

Remember to check out the website,

www.swissvalleyhog.com

as our webmaster, Steve Jacobs, has added some pictures provided by Mike Cox.



We had a small but adventurous group, Rindys, Holcombs, Reinolds and Speichs; head off to the Quad Cities for 2008's first overnight ride. We started out Saturday morning with weather a little questionable, but we avoided all the rain and had a great ride all day on scenic roads. We had lunch at Almont Cafe, a country bar/restaurant in Sabula, IA. Lunch was our meeting place where we joined up with 4 members of the Clinton Hog Chapter. They took us on a two hour ride, traveling to Clinton on back county roads that they are familiar with. What nice people with a common interest, riding. We ended the guided tour at the Clinton Harley dealership where we said our good byes to our new friends just in time. They headed out ahead of the rain clouds while we waited out the storm at the dealership. After the storm passed we had a dry ride to our hotel in Davenport. Before dinner we enjoyed snacks and beverages and spent quality time in the pool and hot tub. A short walk to dinner got us to Thunder Bay Grill for a great meal. Most of us decided we needed to work off dinner so we burned some rubber, off our shoes that is, around the immediate area. We ended the evening by winning prizes and playing games. Rich and I proved that we collect bugs on dots and guess the miles to our destination pretty darn good. Kathy keeps her winning streak going with a double win. She drew an ace as a tie breaker with Dan for the best poker hand and she proved she was the most observant on the trip by getting the most questions answered correctly. Catchphrase ended the evening activities. Leroy predicted the men would win and unfortunately he was right. Luckily there was no prize given for such predictions.

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I know it's hard to believe but morning brought in some heavy rains that we needed to let clear out. About the time we were ready to leave we found ourselves with a rather unique situation where Rindy's luggage was locked with the deadbolt safely in the room, yet no one was in the room. We waited as long as we dared for maintenance to lend a hand, but when they were busy elsewhere and not able to help, action needed to be taken. It turns out with the right tool Rich can break into your hotel room in a matter of seconds. How scary is that! We headed out with the threat of more storms so we decided to take a fast route to put the storms behind us. We almost made it. Light showers encouraged us to stop to put on rain gear, and just when we were about to get back on the road the skies opened with a downpour. Leroy led us down a country road towards a small town where we were hoping to find cover and cover is what we found. Leroy is quite the scout. He found a freestanding carport that happened to have enough room for the boat that belonged there, and 5 motorcycles! The property owner was very nice, but he did send his 2 big dogs out first to check us out. After a nice chat with the man the rain stopped and we headed back on the road. Once we were able to take a more northerly path we were back onto fun riding roads and a beautiful trip home. We never got rained on again and found our timing to be perfect since several towns we went through had been rained on recently. We got back home a little earlier than planned but I would say that was wise considering the stormy weather pattern we were in. Thank you to Denny and Dan for planning the trip, we had a great time.

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