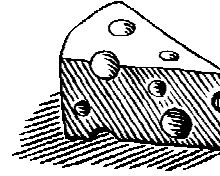
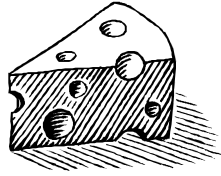


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### NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Is it HOT enough for you yet? If August keeps pace with July, there are sure to be more hot days and nights ahead. Hopefully everyone has had a chance to enjoy the hot weather and get some riding in. It has been a little on the wet side lately, but over all, I think July was a good month to put some miles on those bikes.

I know we put 3,000 miles on traveling to Deals Gap and the entire Blue Ridge Parkway. What a beautiful road that is. I hope anyone with a motorcycle or a convertible takes time to travel the Parkway. What a scenic and beautiful trip it is anytime of the year. The 45 MPH speed limit with no truck traffic just gives you the time to enjoy the smells of the trees and flowers and gives you the chance to enjoy the scenery as well.

July 18<sup>th</sup> was also the MVP "GOLD" ride. Thank you to the planners of the route. The meal was great as usual, and a big thank you for all of the door prizes that were donated.

As you may have already seen from an earlier e-mail, we will not be holding our normal meeting at Turner Hall on the second Wednesday night of August, 8/11. We are going to combine our Chapter meeting with our Chapter picnic on August 22nd, which is a Sunday. Weather permitting, we will have about an 1 – 1 ½ hour ride, and then come back to Pleasant View Park for a short meeting, lunch, and then fun and games the rest of the afternoon. We are hoping the weather holds out this year so we can have some fun afterwards. This year Kutter's is furnishing pulled pork sandwiches, and the Chapter is providing the soda and water, along with the table service. We are asking those attending to bring a dish to pass. There will be a sign up sheet in the HOG Corner at Kutter's. When you sign up, please list your dish to pass so we don't get too many duplicates. We can have a few of each, but please try to bring a variety of items. It will be a lot of fun, plan now on attending!

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## **NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR – continued.....**

For those of you heading to Sturgis early in August, please drive very carefully and have a safe trip out and back. Have a great time, there is a lot of great riding and beautiful scenery to see out there too.

I am having eye surgery to repair a macular hole in my right retina on August 5th, so I will be homebound until at least the 15<sup>th</sup>, but I do hope to SEE all of you on the 22nd for the picnic.

NOW, let's get out and ride, the days of summer are winding down!!

NO meeting @ Turner Hall on 8/11

Bucket Ride: TBA for 8/14

Dinner Ride: 8/18 @ Kutter's 6PM (organized by Scott and Dawn)

Chapter Picnic: 8/22 @ Kutter's 10AM for ride, Pleasant View Park @

NOON for lunch

Hokie, Chapter Director

Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## **Minute by Minute.....**

### **Swiss Valley HOG Meeting – July, 14 2010**

Assistant Director, Steve Jacobs called the meeting to order and The Pledge of **Allegiance** was said.

- Million Mile Monday was short of their goal with 424,000 being recorded.
- Thank You to Scott and Dawn for leading the dinner ride to Coaches in Lena.
- Gold MVP ride is Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Dinner ride is Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. Jeff Wright is leading it.
- Chapter Picnic is Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Under treasurer report we made \$177.00 from the Lena poker run. (Kutter paid for the meat) Thanks to those that helped.
- See the July newsletter for the overnight ride information. Leroy has a nice itinerary of information. John also created a web page for this.
- Jeff has a good article in the July newsletter as well.

Scott Golackson:

- Thanked everyone for coming to his party.
- Reminded all to RSVP to the Gold Ride.
- Scott said they have been busy at Kutters.
- Kutters will be at the Green County Fair.
- Four Fathers ride in Juda is July 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Durand Biker Bash is Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Cheese Days is Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> is bike night at Joes in Freeport.

## Calendar of Events:

### 2-Months at a Glance

*2010 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley  
Owners Group  
Chapter Events available online at  
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**--September newsletter  
deadline--**  
August 25, 2010  
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**--August--**

- 11<sup>th</sup> **NO HOG Meeting**
- 18<sup>th</sup> **Dinner Ride – Closed**  
**6:00p.m.**  
Organizer: Scott Golackson
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - **Chapter Picnic - Closed**  
Time: 10:00am @ Kutters  
HOG Meeting and  
Picnic - noon  
Organizer: Officers

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**--September--**

- 8<sup>th</sup> **HOG Meeting - Closed**  
**7:00p.m.**  
Turner Hall - Monroe
- 11<sup>th</sup> **Open House - Open**  
Kutter - Janesville
- 16<sup>th</sup> **Dinner Ride – Closed**  
**6:00p.m.**  
Organizer: Steve Jacobs
- 17<sup>th</sup>-  
19<sup>th</sup> **Cheese Days – Open**  
Monroe, WI
- 26<sup>nd</sup> - **Balltown Dinner Ride –**  
**Closed**  
Time: tbd  
Organizer: ???

## Minute by Minute.....continued

John Deackman:

● Has a printout for facebook so you can see become better acquainted with it.

50/50 was won by Fred Rice (\$11.00)  
\$10.00 Door prizes went to Jody Jacobs and Julie Holmes.

Submitted by Jody Jacobs  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## NEWS FROM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

I hope everyone has been able to get out and ride. It seems like the summer is slipping by fast. Thanks to those attending the bucket ride on July 17. We went to Massbach Ridge Winery, on to Poopies in Savanna, down along the mighty Mississippi to Clinton, back up the Iowa side to Sabula and across Jody's favorite bridge back to Savanna then headed home thru the Loran hills.

Plan on attending the Chapter picnic on Sunday August 22. We will have a short ride, good food, meeting and games. I hope to see everyone there.

Thanks to Leroy & Kathy for organizing the overnight ride. As always it was a great ride and a lot of fun.

Keep the shiny side up.

Steve Jacobs, Assistant Director  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## Road Captain Report

Hi everyone. I hope you are enjoying the warm weather and you are able to put some miles on your bikes. I can't believe it's almost August. Seems like summer goes faster every year. We have two rides this month. Scott will be leading us on a dinner ride on August 18th. We will also have a short ride before our Chapter Picnic on August 22.

Watch out for pea gravel around the county. We just had our road done, so I guess it's pea gravel season again. Ride safe and I hope to see you all on our next ride.

Vacation riding tip: When mapping out your route and trying to remember several different roads or highways, write the highway numbers on your rear view mirror with a dry erase marker so you can see them at a glance. Make sure it's dry erase and not permanent marker. Erase them with a tissue at your next gas stop and write your next route.

Leroy Rindy, Head Road Captain  
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## Meet the Member

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

**Name:** Karen and Bob Atterberry

**When Did You Join Swiss Valley H.O.G.:** Earlier this year.

**What Do You Ride:** 2009 HD Softail Deluxe

**Why Do You Ride:** We finding riding to be very relaxing, gets us  
out of our everyday routine.

**What Was/Is Your Favorite Ride:** In this area, we love to ride  
along the Mississippi River.

**What Is Your Dream Bike:** We have a friend who makes custom  
bikes, so one day, we would love to own a bike made by  
Mike!

**What Is Your Dream Ride:** We would love to ride the  
Washington/Oregon/Northern California coast, where Bob  
could stop at a few wineries on the way!

**What Is Your Favorite Thing To Do When Not Riding:**  
Since Bob is always on the road at different job sites, when  
he is home, we enjoy spending time together, taking mini  
vacations, and spending time with family.

**What Else Do You Want To Share About Yourself – Your  
Family Or Riding:** We have a daughter, Sarah and a son, David.  
David is married to Lindsay and we currently have  
grandpuppies and grandkitties, and are patiently waiting for  
grandchildren.

## August Birthdays

- 8-2 Barb Smith
- 8-9 Diana Fox
- 8-12 Dave Wehinger
- 8-13 Saranne Stamm
- 8-16 Robert Burke
- 8-16 Sam Guffera
- 8-18 Nate Klassy
- 8-19 Julie Mau
- 8-24 Deb Deackman



## Safety Officer Corner

**This month I have continued the Hurt Study, there are a number of interesting findings in this group, I hope you will take time to look them over.**

**On another note, thanks to all who joined me on my birthday, we had some fun, didn't we?**

11. Weather is not a factor in 98% of motorcycle accidents.
12. Most motorcycle accidents involve a short trip associated with shopping, errands, friends, entertainment or recreation, and the accident is likely to happen in a very short time close to the trip origin.
13. The view of the motorcycle or the other vehicle involved in the accident is limited by glare or obstructed by other vehicles in almost half of the multiple vehicle accidents.
14. Conspicuity of the motorcycle is a critical factor in the multiple vehicle accidents, and accident involvement is significantly reduced by the use of motorcycle headlamps (on in daylight) and the wearing of high visibility yellow, orange or bright red jackets.
15. Fuel system leaks and spills were present in 62% of the motorcycle accidents in the post-crash phase. This represents an undue hazard for fire.
16. The median pre-crash speed was 29.8 mph, and the median crash speed was 21.5 mph, and the one-in-a-thousand crash speed is approximately 86 mph.
17. The typical motorcycle pre-crash lines-of-sight to the traffic hazard portray no contribution of the limits of peripheral vision; more than three-fourths of all accident hazards are within 45deg of either side of straight ahead.
18. Conspicuity of the motorcycle is most critical for the frontal surfaces of the motorcycle and rider.
19. Vehicle defects related to accident causation are rare and likely to be due to deficient or defective maintenance.
20. Motorcycle riders between the ages of 16 and 24 are significantly overrepresented in accidents; motorcycle riders between the ages of 30 and 50 are significantly underrepresented. Although the majority of the accident-involved motorcycle riders are male (96%), the female motorcycle riders are significantly overrepresented in the accident data.
22. Craftsmen, laborers, and students comprise most of the accident-involved motorcycle riders. Professionals, sales workers, and craftsmen are underrepresented and laborers, students and unemployed are overrepresented in the accidents.
23. Motorcycle riders with previous recent traffic citations and accidents are overrepresented in the accident data.
24. The motorcycle riders involved in accidents are essentially without training; 92% were self-taught or learned from family or friends. Motorcycle rider training experience reduces accident involvement and is related to reduced injuries in the event of accidents.

## Safety Officer Corner...continued

25. More than half of the accident-involved motorcycle riders had less than 5 months experience on the accident motorcycle, although the total street riding experience was almost 3 years. Motorcycle riders with dirt bike experience are significantly underrepresented in the accident data.
26. Lack of attention to the driving task is a common factor for the motorcyclist in an accident.
27. Almost half of the fatal accidents show alcohol involvement.
28. Motorcycle riders in these accidents showed significant collision avoidance problems. Most riders would over brake and skid the rear wheel, and under brake the front wheel greatly reducing collision avoidance deceleration. The ability to counter steer and swerve was essentially absent.
29. The typical motorcycle accident allows the motorcyclist just less than 2 seconds to complete all collision avoidance action.
30. Passenger-carrying motorcycles are not overrepresented in the accident area.

See you on the road!

Jeff Wright, Safety Officer  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group



No meeting August 11, 2010

The meeting is being combined with the Picnic.

Please sign up in the Kutter HOG Corner.