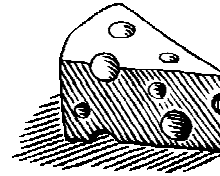
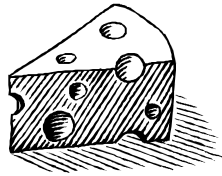


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### NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

I hope everyone had time to get some great riding time during the month of August. I know I would have loved too, but my eye surgery kept me off the bike the entire month. Hopefully September will be better for us to get out and ride. I know a few of you traveled to Sturgis. Many of you have shown pictures of all the beautiful scenery out there. The wildlife, and the wild life, (You know what I mean)! Some traveled trouble free, and some not so lucky. But the main thing is everyone made it back safely.

There were a couple of things going on within the Chapter during August. Scott and Dawn lead a dinner ride to Hixter's in Warren, IL on the 16<sup>th</sup>, and we held the Chapter meeting and picnic at Pleasant View Park on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you to Kutter's for providing the meat for the picnic, to Dave Wehinger to planning and leading the ride before the picnic, and to Diane Updike for planning the games and buying the prizes. Also to all of the great cooks we have within our Chapter that always provide delicious food. It all looked great! I felt terrible that I could not enjoy it, but it was fun being there with everyone even if I could not enjoy the food. The fun and games were reason enough to be there. I think all attending had a great time.

We have a few reasons to get out and ride in September. Kutter's Open House in Janesville will be on the 11<sup>th</sup>, our dinner ride is the 16<sup>th</sup> and being organized by Steve and Jody Jacobs and we also have a bonus dinner ride planned for Sunday, the 26<sup>th</sup>, going to Balltown, IA.

We also have Cheese Days in Monroe this year on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, & 19<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars for these dates. Get out and enjoy the end of summer. The days are getting shorter, the nights longer, and the critters are on the move, so drive carefully.

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We have decided to do a small raffle during the first few weeks of September, with the winner being drawn Sunday afternoon of Cheese Days. Scott has agreed to cover some of the cost of the prizes due to the fact that he is not having a Fall Open House at the store. We will be raffling off a leather jacket valued at up to \$450 for the grand prize. Jeff Wright has offered to donate: a 1 Day FREE Bike Rental for one of the other prizes, and Bob and Karen Atterberry have also donated: 2 FREE Badger Football tickets. We will round off the prizes with a \$50 gift certificate and a \$25 gift certificate. Tickets will be \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. I think we will do great with the tickets at this price and the quality and value of the prizes. Tickets will be on sale at Kutter's front counter during early September, and then moved to the Kutter Trailer during Cheese Days. The trailer will be located in the parking lot of the Monroe Public Library during Cheese Days. We will need a couple of people to work 2 hours shifts during the hours the trailer is open. A sign up sheet will be posted in the HOG corner at Kutter's. Please sign up if you can work a couple of hours. Remember, all proceeds will help out local charities. I think if the weather cooperates, we could raise a lot on money with very little work. Pray for sun shine!

**Next Meeting: 9/8 @ Turner Hall**

**Fall Open House: 9/11 @ Kutter / Janesville**

**Next Dinner Ride: 9/16 Organized by Steve & Jody**

**Bonus Dinner Ride: 9/26 To Balltown, IA 10:30 @ Kutter**

**Cheese Days on the Square: 9/17 – 9/19**

Enough rambling on, time to RUMBLE!!

Hokie, Chapter Director  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

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

### **Swiss Valley HOG Meeting – August 22, 2010**

The August meeting of the Swiss Valley HOG Chapter was held in conjunction with the Annual HOG Picnic on Sunday, Aug. 22. A nice ride was planned prior to the meeting and picnic by Dave Wehinger. It was the Green County Cheese Factory Tour, complete with a display of yellow butterflies. There were lots of roads that many had never ventured on before.

Store Manager Scott Golackson donated the pork sandwiches and HOG members brought a "Dish to Pass" for a great meal. Games were played and prizes awarded. Diane Updike of the Activities Committee did a fantastic job of entertaining the group, even though the water balloon ambush failed!

Robert and Cindy Burke presented Scott with a t-shirt and photo album of his bike's trip to Sturgis. Scott unselfishly donated the use of his personal bike after Robert's bike broke down on their way to Sturgis.

## Calendar of Events:

### 2-Months at a Glance

*2010 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley  
Owners Group*

*Chapter Events available online at  
[www.swissvalleyhog.com](http://www.swissvalleyhog.com)*

**--October newsletter deadline--  
September 25, 2010**

#### **--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: 10:30**  
Organizer: ???

#### **--October--**

- 10<sup>th</sup> **Rockton Color Dinner Ride**  
**- Closed**  
**Time: TBD**  
Organizer: ????
- 13<sup>th</sup> **HOG Meeting - Closed**  
**7:00p.m.**  
Turner Hall - Monroe
- 30<sup>th</sup> **Halloween Party – Closed**  
**Time:TBD**  
Organizer: Activity Committee

## Minute by Minute.....continued

Scott reminded everyone the Durand Biker Bash and Janesville Open House is Sept. 11, 2010. Cheese Days is Sept. 18, with Kutter having their trailer downtown in the library parking lot.

Scott also told us Kevin is leaving the Kutter team.

Asst. Director Steve Jacobs reminded us he is hosting a dinner ride on Thursday, Sept. 16.

The Balltown Dinner ride is September 26.

Safety Officer Jeff Wright announced the 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course has been completed by Barb Smith, Scott Golackson, Daryl Pahnke, Fuzzy Karlen and Jeff Wright.

September's meeting will go back to the usual second Wednesday night of the month – Sept. 8 @ 7 PM at Turner Hall.

Lastly, our Chapter is sorry to be losing Bob and Karen Atterberry. They announced they are moving to Virginia (lots of good riding there)! Bob's job is taking him there. They have only been with us a short time, but lost no time in jumping in and becoming part of the HOG family. We enjoyed your company and working with you both at the Open House. You will be missed.

Respectfully submitted,

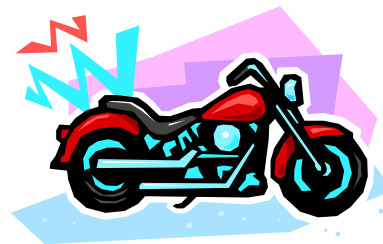
Kathy Rindy, Secretary  
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## NEWS FROM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Even with the heat and humidity August was filled with a lot of good riding opportunities with Sturgis, vacations, our dinner ride and picnic. I hope everyone was able to get out and ride. With September will hopefully come some cooler riding weather. Be aware of the deer that will be starting to move around more as the days get shorter and the evenings get cooler.

Keep the shiny side up.

Steve Jacobs, Assistant Director  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group



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## Road Captain Report

Hi everyone. Boy the heat just doesn't quit! For the first time that I can remember, I am ready for summer to be over and I'm looking forward to fall. Fall is one of the best times of the year for riding with the cooler temperatures. With the leaves turning, it can make for some spectacular rides. The down side to fall, unfortunately, is winter is soon to follow and with that, the end of another riding season. Let's not think about that right now, we have two beautiful months of riding left.

Thanks to Dave Wehinger for planning and leading the ride for the HOG picnic. It was a great ride on roads I have never traveled.

Remember our dinner ride on September 16, Thursday night with Steve & Jody Jacobs leading us. This could very well be the last night time dinner ride this year with the bikes.

Then on Sunday, September 26, we will be riding to Balltown, IA for their great Sunday brunch. This is always an enjoyable ride with great food. I hope to see everyone on the 8<sup>th</sup> at the meeting and then on our next ride. Until then – have fun and...

Ride Safe,

Leroy Rindy, Head Road Captain  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

## September Birthdays

9-12 Dennis Holcomb  
9-24 Susie Bottoms  
9-28 Jeff Gibbons  
9-30 James Rice



## Safety Officer Corner

This month's report completes the examination of the Hurt Study. I hope that you have given them a look and perhaps picked up some information that will help you ride safely. We have about 2 months of riding left and the deer have been active. I have personally seen them moving in broad daylight in mid afternoon. It is vitally important to look twelve seconds ahead and be alert at all times.

31. Any effect of motorcycle color on accident involvement is not determinable from these data, but is expected to be insignificant because the frontal surfaces are most often presented to the other vehicle involved in the collision.

32. Motorcycles equipped with fairings and windshields are underrepresented in accidents, most likely because of the contribution to conspicuity and the association with more experienced and trained riders.

33. Motorcycle riders in these accidents were significantly without motorcycle license, without any license, or with license revoked.



## Safety Officer Corner....continued

34. Motorcycle modifications such as those associated with the semi-chopper or cafe racer are definitely over represented in accidents.
35. The likelihood of injury is extremely high in these motorcycle accidents-98% of the multiple vehicle collisions and 96% of the single vehicle accidents resulted in some kind of injury to the motorcycle rider; 45% resulted in more than a minor injury.
36. Half of the injuries to the somatic regions were to the ankle-foot, lower leg, knee, and thigh-upper leg.
37. Crash bars are not an effective injury countermeasure; the reduction of injury to the ankle-foot is balanced by increase of injury to the thigh-upper leg, knee, and lower leg.
38. The use of heavy boots, jacket, gloves, etc., is effective in preventing or reducing abrasions and lacerations, which are frequent but rarely severe injuries.
39. Groin injuries were sustained by the motorcyclist in at least 13% of the accidents, which typified by multiple vehicle collision in frontal impact at higher than average speed.
40. Injury severity increases with speed, alcohol involvement and motorcycle size.
41. Seventy-three percent of the accident-involved motorcycle riders used no eye protection, and it is likely that the wind on the unprotected eyes contributed in impairment of vision which delayed hazard detection.
42. Approximately 50% of the motorcycle riders in traffic were using safety helmets but only 40% of the accident-involved motorcycle riders were wearing helmets at the time of the accident.
43. Voluntary safety helmet use by those accident-involved motorcycle riders was lowest for untrained, uneducated, young motorcycle riders on hot days and short trips.
44. The most deadly injuries to the accident victims were injuries to the chest and head.
45. The use of the safety helmet is the single critical factor in the prevention of reduction of head injury; the safety helmet which complies with FMVSS 218 is a significantly effective injury countermeasure.
46. Safety helmet use caused no attenuation of critical traffic sounds, no limitation of precrash visual field, and no fatigue or loss of attention; no element of accident causation was related to helmet use.
47. FMVSS 218 provides a high level of protection in traffic accidents, and needs modification only to increase coverage at the back of the head and demonstrate impact protection of the front of full facial coverage helmets, and insure all adult sizes for traffic use are covered by the standard.
48. Helmeted riders and passengers showed significantly lower head and neck injury for all types of injury, at all levels of injury severity.
49. The increased coverage of the full facial coverage helmet increases protection, and significantly reduces face injuries.
50. There is no liability for neck injury by wearing a safety helmet; helmeted riders had less neck injuries than unhelmeted riders. Only four minor injuries were attributable to helmet use, and in each case the helmet prevented possible critical or fatal head injury.
51. Sixty percent of the motorcyclists were not wearing safety helmets at the time of the accident. Of this group, 26% said they did not wear helmets because they were uncomfortable and inconvenient, and 53% simply had no expectation of accident involvement.
52. Valid motorcycle exposure data can be obtained only from collection at the traffic site. Motor vehicle or driver license data presents information which is completely unrelated to actual use.
53. Less than 10% of the motorcycle riders involved in these accidents had insurance of any kind to provide medical care or replace property.

Ride safe, see you at the next meeting!

Jeff Wright, Safety Officer  
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group