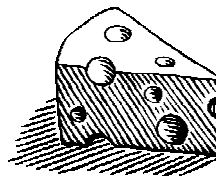
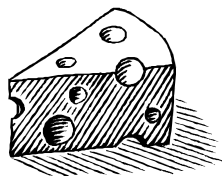


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NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Well, April sure stunk for good riding weather. Hopefully that changes quickly, but at least I was lucky enough to get about 400 miles in for the month of March. I think I only rode the bike 2 times the month of April.

The Sell Your Bike and Swap meet at Kutter turned out as a total wasted morning due to Mother nature thinking we needed cool, windy and rainy weather that day. No one shown to sell the parts or bikes and the food was put in the freezer and is waiting for the Open house later this month. Sometimes you win, and sometimes you lose.

I would also like to personally thank Jim Johnson for stopping in at our last meeting to discuss the Annual Riders Edge Reunion Ride that Kim and Jim are trying to organize. As a group at the meeting, we have decided to try and help with this ride in the month of August. Once we finalize a date, Jim and Kim will send out RSVP's to the Riders Edge graduates so we can plan accordingly. Since we started doing the talks to the Riders Edge classes last year, we are starting to get some interest in the riders to join the HOG Chapter. I was talking to one such person at Swap Meet last Saturday and he was very interested in joining! I think it is starting to work folks. I also had interested people this last Monday night when I talked to the Riders Edge class.

Our first Breakfast ride will be May 12. From what I understand at this moment, we will be meeting at Kutter at 7:30 a.m. and will be heading to Albany for breakfast. After breakfast, we will be heading to Kutter in Janesville for their Open House.

We will be passing around a sign-up sheet at the next meeting, May 8, for the Open House at Kutter in Monroe. Please have ideas for times that you can work on May 19 so we can have 1-2 people in each slot. The hours will be 9-11, 11-1, 1-3, 3-cleanup. We will need donated bars and deserts to sell with our meal-deals. We will also be selling cheese curds!

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NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR – continued...

So the meal-deal will be a brat, hot-dog, or hamburger, with chips, water/soda, and a desert bar. Cheese curds sold separately. With the price of food and beef rising, I think our meal deals should be set at \$6 this year.

Our next dinner ride will be on May 20 to White Pines. Since Steve was going to lead this ride and was wondering if we could move it, Scott said that we could keep it on that day and that he would lead the ride. Steve will be out of town that week for work and will not be able to join us.

On May 27, there will be another Breakfast Ride. Location unknown at this time. I will send out a note after the next meeting to get you the information. There will also be a long ride that day and the map is in mid-creation at this time. The ride will depend on the breakfast location, but will entail a majority of the day for the ride. This will be our long ride for the month.

That is all I have for this month.

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I'm here to assist you any way I can, because it's your chapter too!

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Hello all, not much on my mind this month. Scott G. John D. Scot A. and I went to Fondulac on Sunday to attend the Wisconsin State HOG rally meeting to vote for which ever proposal we thought would be the best. It turns out that Northern Lights HOG made the only proposal for the 2013 State Rally. The venue that was chosen was Minoqua, Wisconsin. Northern lights is very experienced in handling large crowds. They also deal with the fall Tomahawk ride and the Thunder in the Summer Ride. The city and businesses of Minoqua are fully behind the proposal and it looks like it's going to be a great rally. There are over 1000 rooms available in the surrounding area with plenty of restaurants and entertainment beyond the Rally itself. They have a large ride put together that tours the local area and visits many beautiful places and rustic roads.

Their proposal was very impressive. They showed a short video of the Minoqua area and handed out a beautiful brochure designed specifically to address the proposal. If another proposal had been advanced by some other group, it would have to have been outstanding because this one certainly was.

Calendar of Events:

2-Months at a Glance

*2012 Calendar of Swiss Valley Harley
Owners Group*

*Chapter Events available online at
www.swissvalleyhog.com*

--May--

- 8th **HOG Meeting - Closed**
7:00p.m.
Doyles – Monroe
- 12th **Breakfast Ride - Closed**
7:30a.m.
- 19th **Kutter Open House – Open**
All Day
Kutter – Monroe
- 20th **Breakfast Ride – Closed**
8:00 a.m.
White Pines – Oregon, IL
Organizer: Scott & Dawn
Golackson

- 27th **Breakfast Ride – Closed**

--June--

- 2nd/3rd **Overnight Ride – Closed**
Time: TBD
LaClaire, IA
Organizer: Scott & Dawn
Golackson
Scott & Rachel
Aebly
- 9th **Breakfast Ride - Closed**
7:30a.m.
- 9th **MVP Party – MVP Only**
Janesville
- 12th **HOG Meeting Ride - Closed**
6:30p.m.
Kutter – Monroe
- 24th **Breakfast Ride - Closed**
7:30a.m.
- 25th **Million Mile Monday – Closed**

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – continued...

If you are planning to go to this year's State Rally please get your registration forms filled out and sent in. You should have received an email with the form. If you couldn't open it I will be bringing some forms to the next meeting and if I am on the road working again I will see to it that forms are available.

On another note, we enjoyed a great dinner ride last Friday at the Partridge in Argyle. Great food, good friends and lots of laughs, an excellent evening all around. If you aren't making these rides you are missing a good time.

Until next time, see you out on the road.

Jeff Wright, Assistant Director
Swiss Valley Harley Owners Group

May Birthdays

5-19 Bob Brown
5-23 Steve Lee

HOG Minutes – 4/10/12

Pledge of Allegiance led by John Deackman. Guest Speaker Welcomed: Jim Johnson-Riders Edge Instructor. Jim thanked the Hog Chapter for supporting Riders Edge and for coming to classes to talk to students. Jim and Kim are putting together a Rider's Edge Reunion Ride. Jim came to ask for Hog Chapter support. The ride would be held 1Xper year and have small groups of riders. Jim expressed that in class they do not touch on group riding, so this would give riders a chance to see how it should be done and to participate in a hog chapter ride. The chapter would need to provide a lead and a sweep for each group of riders. A date of May 12 was suggested. Chapter members suggested choosing another date as that date will be busy with riders going to Janesville for their Open House event. The chapter agreed that we would support a reunion ride, but that we need more time to discuss the best option. John D. suggested sending out RSVP's to Rider's Edge participants to see what time would be good for them to leave. Steve Jacobs suggested having a rain date reserved. Jim asked that we get some dates together that would work best for the hog chapter and get back to him. Jim thanked the chapter for the time to speak. The chapter continued discussion and determined that Aug 11th with a rain date of Sept 8th would be best. We would plan to meet at Kutter at 9:00 to watch a video and get instructions/directions and split into groups. Then plan to leave at 10:00. John will get back to Jim with these dates.

Treasurer's Report: given by Barb Smith.

Membership: 2 new members-Kevin Nelson and Tom Holmes—
Welcome!!!! We now have 45 paid members. Report given by Wendy Holmes.

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HOG Minutes – 4/10/12 - continued...

John announced that he has planned the Million Mile Monday ride-June 25. He has a 336 mi ride planned. Route will go to Dubuque, Strawberry Pointe, Lansing, IA, down WI river and into IL. Leave Kutter at 8:30 am. A map will be emailed.

Now that we know we are not doing the Rider's Edge Reunion Ride on May 12, Dawn will call Edgewater in Albany to make breakfast reservations for the breakfast ride that day.

Dave W.: Wishing for warmer weather.

Steve Jacobs will be gone the day of the White Pines Ride. Scott G. said he would lead the ride. It will stay as scheduled. Leave Kutter at 8:00am so that we will have plenty of time to enjoy the breakfast buffet.

LeRoy Rindy suggested having a bake sale on the day of Open house along with giving bars with the meal deals.

It was suggested that instead of doing raffles at Cheese Days that we set up a jar for donations and list the charities that we donate to.

Scott G.: Kutter will be sending out more direct mailings, they are trying new marketing strategies.

April 20th Dinner Ride-Ron/Barb Smith leading to Partridge Hall, Argyle.

April 25th Men's Motorcycle Boot Camp at Kutter-Call Kim to sign up. Must bring a buddy/nonrider. 6:30-8:30 pm.

April 28th Swap Meet-Hog Chapter will set up at 11:00 to sell food. Will plan to sell \$5 meals again. Brats/Hot dogs. Sign up sheet at Kutter for cooking/serving.

May 2nd Women's Garage Party-Call Kim to sign up. Women only!! There will be lessons on how to pick up a bike.

June 2nd Kaylin Deackman's Graduation Party

June 2-3 Overnite Ride to LeClaire, IA. Led by Scott G and Scott A. Info given tonight. Scott G showed menus and maps for various things to do in LeClaire. Hotel rooms are blocked at **Comfort Inn and Suites Riverview** under Swiss Valley Hogs. Call **563-289-4747** to make reservations.

June 30th Sons of American Legion ride from Lena, IL coming to Kutter. Hog Chapter will serve food again. We will need help with grilling and serving.

50/50 winner: John Deackman=\$16

Gift Cert Winners: Steve Jacobs and Rachel Aebly

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