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### **Bear & Toni Forfar Members of the Month**

Where do you live? Mission Viejo.

What do you do for a living? I am a Director of Supply Chain for Suncore Photovoltaics Inc., a CPV (concentrated photovoltaic) solar panel manufacturer.

How long have you been riding motorcycles? I have been riding cycles on and off for approximately thirty-six years. Most have been English-made bikes. My first bike was a 1950 Matchless 500cc Twin. It rode like a tank. It was easy to work on but a curse when trying to find parts. Next was a 1969 750cc Triumph Bonneville, and finally a 1972 850cc Norton Commando. However, of all the bikes I have owned the Harleys have been my favorites.

How long have you been riding a Harley? Toni bought me my first Harley, a Dyna Convertible, sixteen years ago for my birthday. In 2002 we bought the Road King, and we have been riding a Harley together ever since. Heck, as I have always said, "Any woman who buys me a Harley, I'm going to hang on to."

How long have you been a member of OC H.O.G.? We have been members on and off for a total of fourteen years. We joined in 1999, moved to Northern CA in 2001 and returned to Southern CA and the chapter in 2003. When we first joined, Ken Cochran had just become director, Roger Allen was assistant director, and Kimmie Stoldt Kohlenberger was secretary. It was nice to come home to some familiar faces.

What is your current Harley? We currently own a 2012 Ultra Limited.

Annual mileage? 5,000 to 6,000. Opportunities to travel on my bike

depend on my work demand.

What kind of riding do you most like to do? We enjoy all types of riding as long as it is through a natural scenic area. We like riding a variety of roads from extreme switchbacks to open highways.

What are your favorite rides? Living in California we have choices from along the coast, inland to the desert, and riding along the rim of snowy mountains or dense forests. You name it, we love it.

What is your most memorable riding experience on a Harley? The eightday trip we took to Arizona. We traveled to Laughlin, NV; Williams, AZ; the Grand Canyon, Monument Valley, Four Corners, Sedona, AZ; Blythe, CA and home.

Which rides would you like to do in the coming year? Definitely a ride to Sturgis. I would like to make this run at least once before I get too old.

Is there anything else you would like to share? There are many reasons why we enjoy being a part of this chapter. However, the most attractive qualities are its strong patriotic character, a large family environment that shares the enjoyment of charity, riding, and eating. &



### **IWAR II**

by Rob Justus

**November 1, 2013** 

Editor's Note: This article was originally developed for Thunder Press, an abbreviated version of which will appear in the January, 2014 edition.

What would you say about a business venture which in its first complete year of operation fully doubled both its customer base and revenue? You would likely say, "That business is a winner." Applying these same measures of business prosperity to the second annual Orange Coast H.O.G. "Injured Warrior Appreciation Run" (IWAR), you would pronounce the event a phenomenal success.

With support from the H.O.G.'s parent dealership Orange County Harley-Davidson, many corporate sponsors, the efforts of dozens of volunteers, and hundreds of registrants, OC H.O.G. staged what has become in its second year the chapter's signature event. Over six-hundred bikes departed OC H-D to visit the Wounded Warrior Battalion on the Marine Corps base at Camp Pendleton to show their support of Marines wounded in combat. Funds are raised and donated to Warrior Foundation Freedom Station, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping injured and disabled military heroes leading the fight in the war against terrorism. Over \$39,000 were donated today to Warrior Foundation.

The ride from the OCHD dealership in Irvine, CA to the Wounded Warrior Battalion on Camp Pendleton is forty-six miles, half of which is via freeway and the other half is over winding,

hilly roads on the base. 623 bikes departed the OCHD dealership at 9:30 a.m. Behind motorcade officers escorting the train down I-5 were five Fueled by the Fallen "Angel Camaros" and Grand Marshal Karen Davidson, Creative Director for Harley-Davidson and greatgranddaughter of one of the company's founders. Following were VIPs, H.O.G. chapter officers, IWAR volunteers, and a contingent of another 800 registered riders. One of the motorcade officers stated afterward the train stretched for ten miles in the diamond lane of southbound I-5.

Once everyone had arrived at the base, speeches were in order. After presentation of the colors and the national anthem, OC H.O.G. Director Kim Kohlenberger welcomed all the participants, thanked them for their participation, then introduced the day's first speaker, Lt. Colonel Joseph Allena, commanding officer of Wounded Warrior Battalion West.

The CO described the mission of the Wounded Warrior Battalion and cited the unique challenges it represents compared to more conventional commands in the Corps. The mission of the battalion is to support wounded Marines in every practicable way through their recovery and provide them with the maximum possible chance of success as they return to active duty or transition out of the Corps to civilian life. He also cited the critical role that civilian volunteer organizations play in providing emotional and family support and all manner of quality-of-life items. Scanning the crowd and the number of Marines under his

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command attending the event today, he proclaimed, "The genetic makeup of today's Marine is the stuff from which legends will be made." This elicited a rousing cheer from everyone. "Oorah!!"

Karen Davidson was introduced to a loud ovation. Her message was simple: Harley-Davidson has a rich, hundred-year long tradition of supporting the United States military. It is not mere coincidence the U.S. military's constant, vigilant defense of freedom and the Motor Company's all-pervasive theme of freedom are in alignment. This was the second consecutive year she made the trek from Milwaukee to ride up front as the IWAR Grand Marshal. Her presence on this ride speaks volumes for her personal commitment and that of the Motor Company to supporting IWAR and its objectives.

Sandy Lehmkuller, director and founder of Warrior Foundation Freedom Station was next to the microphone. She spoke of the mission of Warrior Foundation and what they do for soldiers with severe injuries and their families, those suffering from PTSD, and those transitioning back to civilian life. To illustrate Warrior Foundation's advocacy for disabled soldiers, she cited the example of the zippered boot. A typical leg and foot prosthesis does not point properly to be inserted easily inside a standard issue Marine Corps boot. The Warrior Foundation worked to develop a solution whereby a rearentry zipper was fitted to the boot and then worked with the chain of command all the way to Washington, DC to gain formal USMC approval for that design. Sandy closed her segment by

presenting plaques of appreciation to Director Kohlenberger on behalf of the H.O.G. and Ray Malzo, owner of Orange County Harley-Davidson.

The official proceedings were then closed, and all attendees, riders and Marines together, retired to a barbecue buffet line and enjoyed lunch on the athletic grounds of the facility.

Last year, the inaugural IWAR was a surprising success with four-hundred registered riders and a donation to Warrior Foundation of \$18,000. With this year's installment doubling in participation and financial donation, any skepticism that the results of the first year could be duplicated was permanently silenced. IWAR will be here to stay as a fixture on the Southern California ride schedule. No other event is so effective at bringing the riding community together with active duty military - on their base — for each to express to the other appreciation for what they do. &









## **Bisbee Overnight Ride**

by Craig Shelby & Kathi Somers

November 7-11, 2013

#### Day 1: OC to Casa Grande, AZ

Writing something interesting about Day 1 is equivalent to trying to housebreak chicken. We rode to the northern area of San Diego and stopped for gas and a bio break. We rode some more and stopped for gas and another bio break in El Centro. Back in 1906 El Centro was pretty much nothing but barley farms. Incorporated in 1908 and 105 years later it has grown into the thriving metropolis of the Imperial Valley, but it's still barley farms with a Home Depot, McDonald's, and 7/11's-LOL! In the middle of nowhere it's a perfect place for Navy fly-boys as the Blue Angels have a base there. And since there is not too much to do other than grow barley, those boys can concentrate on their flying.

Prior to arriving in El Centro we passed by the In-Ko-Pah (The Desert View Tower and Boulder Park) which is about ninety minutes east of San Diego along Interstate 8. The tower stands seventy feet high and was constructed between 1922 and 1928. From the top deck individual windows are sight-lines to various landmarks visible in the distance. The other attraction at this location is Boulder Park, a jumble of rocks that have been weathered by wind resulting in some very interesting formations.

Upon descending from the mountain pass and heading into El Centro we passed by a highway sign stating "sealevel" and a bit further along I-8 we had descended to slightly below sealevel. Do I dare say the "low-point" of the trip?! We continued on to Yuma, AZ for lunch and gas. And we rode some more to the last gas/bio stop before reaching Casa Grande, AZ and the end of the day.

Is anyone up for trying to house-break a chicken or writing something more interesting? Okay, moving on ...

#### Day 2: Casa Grande to Bisbee, AZ

The Harley dealership in Tucson was the first stop on Friday morning. They had coffee and donuts for us, although the donuts were a bit late in being delivered. Oh well, more time to check out their inventory of 2014 models and pick out a t-shirt before going back for more coffee and a donut.

Interstate 10 and some side streets through the eastern outskirts of Tucson led us to the entrance to the Saguaro National Park. A \$10 fee was charged to ride the eight-mile loop through some absolutely beautiful desert scenery. Next stop: Tombstone and the end of the day's ride to allow all as much time as they wanted to spend there before heading on to Bisbee. twenty-five miles further down the road.

Tombstone was the site of perhaps the most notable gunfight in the history of the American west. On Wednesday, October 26, 1881 at approximately 3:00 p.m. the Earp Brothers (Wyatt, Virgil, and Morgan) and "Doc" Holliday faced off with the Clantons and others at the O.K. Corral. Approximately thirty



seconds after the first shot, three were dead and three wounded. Billy Clanton, Tom McLaury, and Frank McLaury were dead and are buried at the Boothill Graveyard just north of town. Virgil, Morgan and "Doc" sustained wounds, but all survived. Wyatt was not wounded.

Boothill is also the resting place of Lester Moore, a Wells Fargo agent who was shot over some dispute with a package. Although not associated with the O.K. Corral shoot-out, apparently he was an interesting character given the inscription on his headstone. It reads:

Here lies Lester Moore Four slugs from a .44 No Les, no more

Big Nose Kate's was a popular place for lunch. An encore for some while the first time for others. The

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entertainment was by the same guy as back in 2009 (as I recall), and his singin' hasn't improved a lick. The hitech electric/synthesized music seemed a bit out of place in a saloon where the waitresses, waiters, and bar-maids were all in 1880's attire with holsters & six-shooters, cowboy hats, and garter belts.

The first table just inside the swinging doors was available so seven or eight of us sat down. The waiter greeted us and asked what we wanted to drink. When someone asked what beers were available he quickly rattled-off the name of twelve to fifteen beers without taking a breath. When a bottle of Coors Light was ordered the waiter responded with, "Oh, you want a bottle of water." When he returned with the drinks and took our food orders he did not write down a single order. And when lunch was served every order was correct and placed in front of the person who ordered it. He never asked who ordered what, and his memory was equally impressive when he handed out the checks.



Quite amazing I must say given he was serving a couple of other tables as well. Before leaving that establishment the owner invited us behind the bar for a group photo.

After lunch we headed across Main Street to the Harley-Davidson merchandise store which opened about two years ago. I suspect that most of the group stopped in and tshirts were a common purchase.



Afterwards some of us gathered outside as if we were headed to O.K. Corral, but there was nothing to resolve down there, so we crossed the street to Doc Holliday's were about twenty shots of Fireball whiskey were chugged down, and a few had another round.

> After playing tourist for a while in Tombstone everyone found their way to Bisbee and the Copper Queen Hotel. Quite an interesting place and for some their first time there while others knew what to expect. Parking at the hotel is a bit of a challenge as the street is narrow, uphill and sloping, but all bikes were parked without incident. After check-in the topic of conversation turned to dinner plans over drinks and cigars for those who partake in

one or the other or both. Bisbee has limited choices for dinner, to say the least. So the hotel's restaurant was the choice for many, while some found their way to Café Roka on Main Street a short walk from the hotel. I did not go there for dinner this year, but it did bring back a memory of a very funny incident back in 2009 at that establishment and something about sorbet.

Bisbee has a storied history of mining that began back in 1870 when a cavalry officer picked up an interesting looking rock and sought information about it through a prospector confidant. The lieutenant's instinct about the rock was confirmed, but his hopes of staking claim to the hills and mining the minerals fell apart when his prospector confidant had a few too many whiskeys and the prospector found himself with new partners who had, in fact, staked claims to the land and left the lieutenant with nothing. The Copper Queen mine closed in 1975. However, during its operation over about 100 years time, it produced 8 billion pounds of copper; 2.8 million ounces of gold; 77 million ounces of silver; 304 million pounds of lead; and 371 million pounds of zinc. — Craig Shelby

#### Day 3: Bisbee to Show Low, AZ

After a spooky night in the haunted Copper Queen hotel, we gathered in a nearby parking lot for our departure on a chilly morning. Heated gear and chaps were the requisite.

We left Bisbee and headed back toward Tombstone to get to our route. The countryside was beautiful, and

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the traffic was great. Our destination for the day was Show Low, Arizona. There are two stories about how the town got its name. They involve a rivalry between two landowners and their interests. Both stories involve a card game that hinged on the lowest card in the deck, the Deuce of Clubs, being drawn. Either way, Show Low was named for the lowest card in the poker deck.

When we got to Show Low, we found that the hotel pool had been closed for the winter, so there was really nowhere for us all to gather for cigars and drinks. A few folks hung out in an area near the parking lot and shivered in the chilly night air with their cigars and beverages.

Some of us went up to the One-Eyed Jack's bar above the hotel's lobby and hoped for the best. It was a dismal spot with a pool table and watereddown drinks. We were bummed. Then we decided to go across the street to the place where we had dinner reservations. It was Licano's Steak House and Mexican Food. We hoped for a bar to wait until our reservation was ready. This turned out to be an absolute gem! There was a two-man band that sounded like a whole stage full, complete with guitar, sax, and keyboard. We finally decided to have dinner in the bar, danced for hours, and had a great time. The duo didn't play anything we didn't like, and we had a fabulous time.

#### Day 4: Show Low to Wickenburg, AZ

The next morning wasn't chilly — it was downright COLD! Show Low has a reputation for being a cool/cold place, and it didn't disappoint. Everyone was bundled up in their most cold-weather riding gear as we left Show Low in frigid conditions. Despite the cold, it was beautiful country, and we rode through some very beautiful scenery.

Wickenburg was our destination, a tiny town with very little to recommend it. That said, there is some interesting statuary on the main street and, apparently, two very robust rodeo and rehab industries.



That evening, a few folks went into town early for dinner at the Hog Trough (they closed at 6:00), and many of us staved around the pool later than that. The other dinner options were Denny's next door or ordering pizza. A number of us ordered pizza and stayed around the pool until bedtime.

#### Day 5: Wickenburg to Home

The last morning, Lee, who was leading the ride, felt that it was very important that we leave five minutes early. We didn't know why, but that became clear later in the day.

As we milled around with coffee in styrofoam cups waiting until time to leave, a cowboy approached us complete with jeans tucked into his knee-high boots, straw cowboy hat, long white beard, and handlebar mustache. He hailed from Pecos. Texas

and told us he wintered in Wickenburg because it was more exciting than Pecos. We asked him what the attraction was, and he said that Wickenburg had the best calf-roping in the country in the winter. We were impressed.

Most of the last day was freeway riding, but the freeways were surrounded by mountains, and it was really quite pleasant.

When we arrived at our second gas stop, we found out why Lee wanted to leave five minutes early that morning. We pulled into the stop and saw a whole Veteran's Day celebration going on. There were Patriot Guards, bikes gleaming in the sunlight, and flags unfurled waiting on the freeway bridge to our left, ready to ride into the celebration. We got there first. and it was obvious the press and the locals thought we were part of the parade. The timing was perfect! We may end up in the local newspaper!

The rest of the trip home was uneventful, and everyone made it safely.

Thanks to Tony Vizcarro for his hard work planning this trip, and thanks to all the road captains who kept us safe along the way. — Kathi Somers



### **Lake Henshaw Ride**

**bv Rob Justus** 

November 16, 2013

Fall finally arrived in Orange and San Diego Counties with a bit of bluster as the temperatures all along today's route to Lake Henshaw were somewhere between thirty and forty degrees below record highs set just a few days ago. Work the math: it was 90-something in parts of Orange County Wednesday. Today it was in the 50's [and lower]. The weather played a factor in not only how we rode but also, more significantly, where we rode. But I'm getting ahead of myself...

Thirty bikes staged at the Sand Canyon starting point for what was billed in the pre-ride briefing as "the last ride of the year." That's not exactly true as we have a new member ride and a couple toy rides left on the calendar, but as far as conventional day rides go, this one indeed was it for the year. Aren't you glad you made it today?



Sand Canyon is sort of our substitute Capistrano Playhouse starting point for as long as they have the Ortega/I-5 interchange all messed up. When a destination calls for a ride-leg over Ortega and a Capistrano start is not possible. these days we do Sand Canyon.

So down I-5 and over to Ortega Hwy went we. Most were dressed in chaps. Not quite heated gear weather, but still chilly enough to warrant an extra layer or two. Chilly and, as it turned out, highly damp. Sometime prior to our trek over Ortega, it rained. Probably not torrentially, but certainly enough to make the road wet the entire length up to the top and down to Grand. When it's wet on Ortega, you take it easy. And when it's wet on Ortega these days, the smell of scorched earth hangs heavy in the air. I'm still not used to the desolate. blacked-out views of the Elsinore side of the mountains resulting from the fire they had a few months back. Not a tree/bush/weed remains. It's a real shame: it will look blighted like that for several more years.

After stopping for gas in Murrietta just off I-15, we eventually made our way to Hwy 79, then Pechanga Parkway through Pala, then eastbound on Hwy 76 in the direction of Mt. Palomar and Lake Henshaw. The route called for us to detour off of Hwy 76 at the South Grade Road up to Palomar, then down the East Grade Road back to 76 before lunch a few miles later at Lake Henshaw. Except the weather conspired to change all that.

On anyone's short list of "Greatest Motorcycle Roads in California" is the South Grade Road up to Palomar. It is steep, twisty as hell, scenic, and VERY demanding. All of the attributes that make it a "Great Road" at the same time make it a "Really

Dangerous Road" when the weather is bad. As we approached the turn-off to South Grade, it was apparent it just wasn't going to be in the cards. The clouds hung way low, the road was wet, you knew it was going to be very wet on the way up, and there was a bit of drizzle on the visors even before heading up. If you're scoring at home, note: wet, low visibility, cold, steep, twisty, and precipitous drop-offs equals "stay off." So the call was made real-time to do just that, and we proceeded on to lunch at the Round-Up BBQ overlooking the lake.



After lunch, it was pretty uneventful on the way back. Our rides which take us anywhere in the vicinity of Julian [as today's did] guarantee a long post-lunch return route. That said, we made magnificent time on the I-15, 78, and I-5 which, gratefully, was devoid of any traffic stoppage. Those who finished at the dealership for the ritual cigars did so at about 3:00 p.m. &





### **Director's Message** Kim Kohlenberger

This is my twenty-eighth and final article as director of

this great chapter. It seems like yesterday I was at the microphone speaking to you as your director for the first time. Although the last two and one-half years have flown by, it has been a rewarding time in my life. Soon it will be time for me to pass the torch, but before I do there are some thoughts I want to share.

In June of 2011, I spoke to you about the new focus for the chapter. The goals for the future were as follows:

- Build a close relationship between the chapter and our sponsoring dealer;
- Provide interesting and engaging chapter meetings;
- Provide an opportunity for all members to ride and have fun in a safe manner;
- Focus on increasing and welcoming the enrollment of new members while retaining the current members;
- Provide a leadership team with depth to assist with all chapter functions.

I am pleased to report we have made phenomenal progress reaching those goals over the last couple years. Our relationship with our sponsoring dealer is stronger than ever which is evidenced by all the support our dealership provides the chapter and its members. Our chapter meeting attendance has increased tremendously, and the chapter has not had to financially cover the shortage of our required fifty dinners at a single meeting. We also reestablished having a chapter meeting every month (except December) due to increased enthusiasm and attendance.

We spent a great amount of time and effort reorganizing the ride calendar and road captain program so that every ride would be properly led according to its designated diamond rating. We put the dinner rides back on the calendar and added a free day to some of the multi-day overnighters.

We developed ways to encourage our newest members to get involved so they experience a positive start with the chapter and the dealership. We added more social events to the calendar to be more inclusive to our members who don't get to ride with us as often as they would like and to allow those who are non-riders an opportunity to participate and get involved.

There are many areas of the chapter that need constant attention, and therefore having a loyal, dedicated, and driven officer team is essential for success. I have been fortunate to work with an outstanding group of officers. I thank them for their tireless and countless hours of devotion to make the chapter run as smoothly and transition as seamlessly as possible over the last two and one-half years.

Make sure your plans include attending our November meeting as it is our last official business meeting of the year. We will have posters and boxes available for you to take and use to gather toys for the reestablished CHOC Toy Run on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. You will be able to make your reservation for the

December 7<sup>th</sup> holiday party which is free to our members. It is also chapter membership renewal time. If you renew before Dec. 31st, your cost is still \$24.00. On January 1, 2014 membership dues will increase. We also have a few of the smart phone/tablet raffle tickets left for \$10.00 each, and we hope to sell them all at this meeting so we can announce the winner of the \$500 voucher! Lastly, we will be announcing your new chapter director who will replace me effective January 1st, 2014.

I believe we have an excellent chapter. Our membership is extremely supportive as evidenced by the number of people who show up for the meetings, rides, events, and who raise their hand as a volunteer when there is a need. The day I took my first ride, well, I was changed for life. There's absolutely nothing that compares to the freedom of getting out on your Harley-Davidson. Our chapter continues to grow with new riders from all walks of life. Our diversity is what makes us strong. It's up to us to make our chapter family more inclusive, welcoming, and fun for everyone. Your support of the rides, events, the dealer, and our chapter meetings is what continues to impact the experiences we all share.

I tossed my hat in the ring to become director because I wanted to give back to the chapter. I was taught the greatest thing in life you can do is to leave something behind that lasts forever after you've checked out. I have been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to create the Injured Warrior Appreciation Run because of

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### **Assistant Director's Message Steve Burke**

The Injured Warrior Appreciation Run was a

huge success. I think we are going to see the positive effects on many levels. I know that all of the members that I spoke with felt a tremendous amount of pride to be associated with an event that helped and touched so many. I was also approached by many riders who were non-members after the ceremonies on the base. All were complementary and wanted to thank us for putting together a great ride for such a great cause. Many of them asked about our chapter and how they can join.

I always thought there was a lot of truth to the bible verse which is paraphrased by many as, "You

reap what you sow." I believe that while acting for the benefit of others we will also reap the benefit of increased interest in joining our chapter, and who better than those who were moved to participate in IWAR?

Our next ride for charity is the annual toy pick up ride at the Fairmont Schools. This ride is on Friday December 13th, 2013. The ride leaves from Watson's Drug Store at 7:40 a.m. sharp. Watson's Drug Store opens up early just for us at 6:00 a.m., and a large group is always there early. The ride travels to five different Fairmont School campuses and ends at Pretend City near the dealer. We are led by Santa Claus in a red Mini Cooper convertible, and we are treated to dozens of excited students cheering us on as we

rumble up to the front door of their school. Each school has a different age group and therefore the ceremonies are different at each campus. My favorite is the Preschool to Kindergarten age group where we are treated to all sorts of wonderful food and drink as well as being entertained by the kids singing Christmas songs. At each school we collect the toys the students have donated and load them in a truck. I guarantee that if you are feeling kind of Grinchy as the holiday season approaches, this will fill your heart with Christmas spirit. So decorate your bikes, put on your Santa hat and Rudolf noses, and make this ride part of your annual holiday celebration.

Steve

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my role as director. However, the ride would not have come to fruition or had been as successful without the wonderful, dedicated, and driven chapter members who are willing to step up and answer the call. We should ALL be filled with immense pride for our accomplishment. It is one of those amazing legacies that tattoos our hearts and carries on as a great memory that will last a lifetime.

I want to encourage every member who thinks they want to get involved to let one of your primary officers know. I will leave you with some advice. If you do decide to wear that officer or road captain rocker, remember the chapter is about all of us. We lead by

example. Wearing that rocker reflects on the entire group and every decision you make impacts everyone. Being an officer or road captain isn't about one person; it's about being part of a family. Don't ever take it for granted. We have such an opportunity to affect so many people in such a very positive way, it is precious. Savor it, enjoy it, and respect it.

I want to say a BIG thank you to the officers, road captains, and chapter members for your support over the last two and one-half years. I also want to thank Ray Malzo of the dealership for believing in me and allowing me the opportunity to lead. It has been the honor of my life to be your chapter director, and now it is time for someone else to lead us

into the future. I can proudly say we've done our part well. We weren't just marking time; we made a difference. I will continue to support the chapter and the new leadership. I wish each of you a happy and safe holiday season. Merry Christmas, and best wishes for a prosperous New Year!

Happy trails.....until we meet again!

- Kimmie



### **Secretary's Report** Jacqui Fairchild

October 24, 2013 Monthly Meeting Orange Coast Harley Owners Group #0322

#### Welcome

Director Kim Kohlenberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Jean Pence led the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Introductions, Dealer News, &** Recognitions - Kim Kohlenberger

Kim introduced the chapter officers; Chaze Karanick from our sponsoring OCHD dealership; Donna Wick, major gifts officer from CHOC Children's Foundation; Mark Murphy, mayor pro tem for the City of Orange; Todd Spitzer, Orange County supervisor; and Jena Jensen, chief government relations officer.

Chaze again brought cards to be given out to each member who purchased a meal at the meeting. Members were instructed to bring their cards to the dealership, and 100 points would be added to their VIP point count.

Kim then recognized Ruth Burke, Kathi Somers, and Rob Justus for writing articles for the HOG LOG. Each was presented ten raffle tickets.

Carolynne Schley was recognized for logging 100,000 HOG miles.

Kim spoke about our smart phone/tablet opportunity drawing. See rules in the inset on the right-hand side of this page.

Kim reminded all members interested in knitting or crocheting caps for the warriors to contact Denise Vandal about upcoming meetings.

#### New Members — Craig Shelby

Craig introduced six new chapter members: Steve Keefer, Kirsten Strahl, Russell Martin, Ben Gonzales, Chuck Thompson and Don (Woody) Wood.

#### **Guest Presentation — CHOC Toy Run**

Donna Wick, major gifts officer for CHOC Children's Foundation, thanked everyone for all the chapter has done in past and future CHOC toy rides. This ride means so much to the children of CHOC.

Mark Murphy, mayor pro tem of the City of Orange, and Todd Spitzer, Orange County supervisor, each thanked the chapter for their support of CHOC and let everyone know they will be riding with the chapter on the CHOC toy ride.

Jena Jensen, chief government relations officer, was very impressed with the chapter and excited about the toy ride. She also reminded everyone that on the toy pick-up ride breakfast will be ready for us at one of the schools.

#### **Assistant Director - Steve Burke**

Steve spoke about this year's holiday celebration. Flyer/sign-up sheets were on each table and extras were available on the dinner sign in table. See the flyer in this month's HOG LOG for additional information [page 19].

#### **Activities Presentation - Tony Vizcarro**

Tony reviewed the November through January rides and the upcoming Bisbee overnighter.

#### **IWAR Report — Kim Kohlenberger**

Kimmie reminded everyone that staging opens at 7:30 a.m. and to bring their tickets with the QR code and completed waivers to check in. She announced that as of the meeting we had 420 bikes and a total of 560 riders/passengers signed up and that we had far exceeded our expectations on donations, sponsorship.

#### Member of the Month Presentation — **Larry Somers**

Larry presented Rob and Denise Vandal with their Member of the Month photo.

**Break** - Cake to celebrate October birthdays.

#### **LOH Raffle — Susie Johnson**

#### Adjourn - Kim Kohlenberger

Wishing you a wonderful month full of safe riding.

Jacqui Fairchild

Raffle Prizes — Raffle prizes cannot be exchanged at the dealer for cash or store credit. You may exchange shirts for the correct size if the dealer has your specific shirt size available.

#### Editor's Note:

At the next chapter meeting, we will continue to sell raffle tickets to win your choice of a smart phone or a tablet device. Here are the details:

- 1. Only 150 tickets will be available for this opportunity drawing.
- 2. Tickets are \$10 each with no limit on the number you can buy.
- 3. Tickets will be sold at the October and November meetings.
- 4. The drawing will be held at the November meeting or after all 150 tickets are sold.
- 5. The winner has the choice of a smart phone or tablet valued up to \$500.
- 6. Money raised will offset chapter expenses.
- 7. You may pay by cash or write a check payable to "OCHOG." In the memo section, write "Phone/Tablet Drawing."

Smile for the camera — We have a new website for our chapter photos. You can reach the website through the OCHOG webpage or go directly to http:// ochog.smugmug.com. To submit photos of chapter rides, send your photos to photos@ochog.org. You may send photos in any size.

How do I sell stuff or publish my masterpiece? For questions about advertising in the HOGLOG or to submit ride articles, contact the chapter Editor at editor@ochog.org.

#### What do we do when we're not riding?

Our monthly meetings are usually held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Our next meeting will be Thursday, January 23rd at the Back Bay Conference Center on the second floor of Irvine Lanes at 3415 Michelson Drive in Irvine. Dinner will be available for \$15 beginning at 6:00 p.m. You must make your dinner reservations no later than Wednesday, January 21st at noon by emailing secretary@ochog.org.

### **Welcome to Our New Members**



**Ben Gonzalez** 



**Kirsten Strahl** 



**Chuck Thompson** 

New Members Not Pictured

Joni Chintala **Wayne Chintala Andie Torres Croak** Takahisa Iwamoto **Steve Keefer Scott Leetch** Jean Martin **Russell Martin Max Morris Kimber Patrick Rick Sippio Constance Verheyen Don Wood** 

# Happy Birthdays!

Frank Adler Scott Bartlett Dan Ciscel Linda Ferrick-Adams Jozepi Gutierrez Karen Hauenstein Chris Hostert Barbara Jay Kim Kohlenberger David Lyman Ken Miltimore Jim Pleasants

Pat Scheid **Bob Taylor** Randy Tiffany Paul Toohev Ernie Valencia David Van Wormer Rob Vandal Destinee Warren Mike Warren Richard Wavne Dirk Wilder Jeff Willis

Wavne Adair Jay Adamo Kirk Adams Stacy Austin William Brogan Steve Burke **David Bustos** Ginger Clapper Fred De Maria Patricia Drever Bill Emisse **Bob Evans** 

Mike Freeman **Candace Gates** Jim Hart Bruce Haskett Jim Kennah Louis Luxenberg Hugh MacDonald Lyle Michelson **Greg Newland** Ken Newman Michael Pirosh Robert Quinn

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Kathie Rodieck William Siener Linda Slajer David Smith **Brad Snow** Kirsten Strahl **Andie Torres** Croak Ian Thomas Geraldine Torres Debbie Weber

## twitter

OCHOG maintains a Twitter account that will alert you of last minute ride changes and cancellations directly to your phone. Twitter notification is faster and more convenient than accessing the OCHOG website. Directions for signing up and receiving alerts are found at www.ochog.org

#### Sign up for Site Notifications

There is a lot of activity going on with Orange Coast HOG, and we try to keep everyone up to date via the website at www.ochog.org. We have image galleries going live, ride maps for the weekend rides, HOG Logs, general updates and more, so much more.

There are a number of ways to keep up with what is going on, but the easiest is via email. If you go to the home page and scroll down to the bottom, find a box labeled "Email Address."

Just type your email address into that box and hit the "Subscribe" button. Within minutes you'll get a confirmation email in your inbox asking you if you are sure you want to subscribe. Just click on the confirmation link and you're all set.

You'll now get notified in your inbox as soon as a new post goes live.

### Sales Ads



**For Sale** 2012 Harley-Davidson Dyna Wide Glide (FXDWG)

- Less than 5,000 miles
- Screaming Eagle pipes
- Sissy bar

- · Leather saddlebags
- · Quick-release windshield
- \$12,999

Call Randy Rieken 949-891-8143



**For Sale** Rear Foot Pegs for Ultra Classic, 2007-2011 Like new \$125 for the set **Call Phin Banning 949-922-9038** 



#### **Interphone F5S Bluetooth Helmet Headset Twin Pack**

Quick Overview: The Interphone F5S from Cellular Line is the first Bluetooth Intercom to be released with advanced intercom features. Up to 6 F5S's can be connected to extend intercom range to up to a mile. TS gives audible voice indications when the intercom connects, disconnects, music plays or pauses, and when a phone call is incoming. The F5S TTS feature will also tell you who is calling so you can avoid answering the call if desired. Bluetooth 3.0 technology gives the F5S the longest battery life of any Bluetooth intercom to date.

The units were used once before I traded my bike for a Ultra Limited. Still in the box. Asking \$400.00



Mike Steinkraus 714-287-8370 msteinkraus@ochca.com

Personal (non-commercial) advertising of items for sale in the HOG LOG is a free service to Orange Coast H.O.G. members in good standing. To place an ad send details, photos, and contact information to editor@ochog.org.

### **Member to Member Ads**













### PATCHES

Expert Sewing and Alterations Leather Repair BLACK DENIM JACKETS

elizamusic@aol.com Elizabeth Geer 26822 Via Matador Ph: 949-581-3181 Mission Viejo, CA 92691 Cell: 949-230-2311

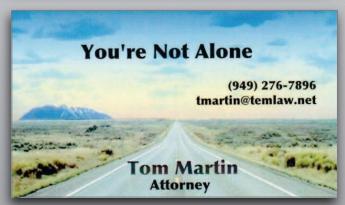


Ads for commercial products, processes, or services do not imply or constitute an endorsement by OC H.O.G

## Member to Member Ads, continued —







#### Advertise in the HOG LOG

All current Orange Coast H.O.G. members are invited to advertise in the HOG LOG. Advertising in the HOG LOG costs \$50 for eleven issues (one calendar year) and must be the size of a business card. Any current members wishing to place a business card ad in the HOG LOG should contact Ron Browning by email at treasurer@ochog.org for information re: where to send artwork and payment.

## Orange Coast Chapter Rides

#### **Ride Codes**

**M = MEMBERS -** For chapter members only + one guest on the member's bike

C = CLOSED - For chapter members + one guest on a Harley-Davidson motorcycle

**O = OPEN -** For chapter members, National HOG members, and other guests

I = INFORMATION – Information only

#### **Riding Skill Recommendations**

- **BASIC** 1,000 riding miles recommended and experience on freeways and twisty roads.
- **INTERMEDIATE** 5,000 riding miles recommended and comfortable riding freeways and twisty back-roads.
- **ADVANCED** 10,000 riding miles recommended and skilled at riding long distances and lengthy twisty roads.
- EXPERIENCED Highly developed riding skills required to ride up to 500-mile days at sustained highway speeds, and be able to handle high to extreme twisty roads.

November 2013					
Skill Level	<u>Date</u>	Day(s)	Code	Ride Description	
N/A	Nov 21	Thursday	0	Orange Coast H.O.G. Meeting  Back Bay Conference Center, 3415 Michelson Dr. Second floor,  Irvine. Dinner at 6:00pm – Meeting at 7:00pm	
•	Nov 23	Saturday	С	New Member Ride Meet at OCHD Dealer for New Member orientation at 8:30am Leave at 9:30am for short ride, and then back to Dealer for Hot Dogs and Soda. Old Timers are welcome. 60 miles	
December 2013					
Skill Level	<u>Date</u>	Day(s)	Code	Ride Description	
N/A	Dec 7	Saturday	С	OCHOG Casino Night Holiday Party Let's get together and celebrate the Holidays! Reception 5:00pm to 6:00pm – Dinner 6:00pm to 8:00pm Gaming 6:00pm to 9:45pm – Gaming by Vegas Knights with Music	
<b>*</b>	Dec 13	Friday	С	Annual Toy Pick-up from contributing schools Basic riding skills required. Departure from Watson's Drug Store at the Orange Circle at 7:40 a.m. to visit 5 school campuses to pick up toys in support of our CHOC Toy Run. Breakfast is available at Watson's Drug at 6:15am	
N/A	Dec 14/15	Sat/Sun	ı	OPEN WEEKEND	
N/A	Dec 22	Sunday	0	Orange Coast HOG Chapter – 15th CHOC Toy Ride. The Annual Charity Toy Ride to CHOC Hospital is back! Bring a new, unwrapped toy to OCHD before the date. Pick up a box at dealer and help collect toys in advance from your work, church, or community. Meet at OCHD @ 8:00am for a 9:00am departure.	

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Ride Calendar, continued —

January 2014					
Skill Level	Date	Day(s)	Code	Ride Description	
**	Jan 5	Sunday	С	Rainbow Brunch Ride Meet at <u>Sand Canyon</u> for an <u>8:30 am</u> departure. <b>150 miles</b>	
N/A	Jan 11/12	Sat/Sun	I	OPEN WEEKEND	
<b>* *</b>	Jan 19	Sunday	С	Flo's Diner – Chino Meet at <u>It's a Grind</u> for a <u>7:30am</u> departure. <b>150 miles</b>	
N/A	Jan 23	Thursday	0	Orange Coast H.O.G. Meeting <u>Back Bay Conference Center</u> , 3415 Michelson Dr. Second floor,  Irvine. Dinner at <b>6:00pm</b> – Meeting at <b>7:00pm</b>	
•	Jan 25	Saturday	С	New Member Ride Meet at OCHD Dealer for a New Member orientation at 8:30am Leave at 9:30am for short ride, and then back to Dealer for Hot Dogs and Soda. Old Timers are welcome. 60 miles	
	February 2014				
Skill Level	<u>Date</u>	Day(s)	Code	Ride Description	
N/A	Feb 1/2	Sat/Sun	0	OPEN WEEKEND	
* * *	Feb 8	Saturday	С	Barona Casino Meet at <u>Sand Canyon</u> for an <u>8:30am</u> departure. <b>200 miles</b>	
<b>* *</b>	Feb 16	Sunday	С	Fidel's Mexican Restaurant Meet at Sand Canyon for an 8:30am departure. 200 miles	
N/A	Feb 20	Thursday	0	Orange Coast H.O.G. Meeting Back Bay Conference Center, 3415 Michelson Dr. Second floor, Irvine. Dinner at 6:00pm – Meeting at 7:00pm	
<b>*</b>	Feb 22	Saturday	С	New Member Ride Meet at OCHD Dealer for New Member orientation at 8:30am Leave at 9:30am for short ride, and then back to Dealer for Hot Dogs and Soda. Old Timers are welcome. 60 miles	

### **Meeting Places**

- OCHD Dealership Orange County H-D, 8677 Research Dr., Irvine
- Camino Real Playhouse Parking Lot Corner of Ortega Highway (Hwy. 74) and El Camino Real.
- Sand Canyon Sand Canyon Exit and I-5, parking lot at end of Burt Road
- It's a Grind Tustin Ave. and La Palma Ave. off the 91 Freeway
- Back Bay Conference Center 3415 Michelson Dr. Second floor, Irvine



### **Orange Coast Chapter #0322 Orange County, California**

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## **Sponsoring Dealer**



Orange County Harley-Davidson 8677 Research Drive Irvine, California 92618

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email: email@ocharleydavidson.com

www.ocharley-davidson.com web:

#### **Dealership Hours**

**Store** 

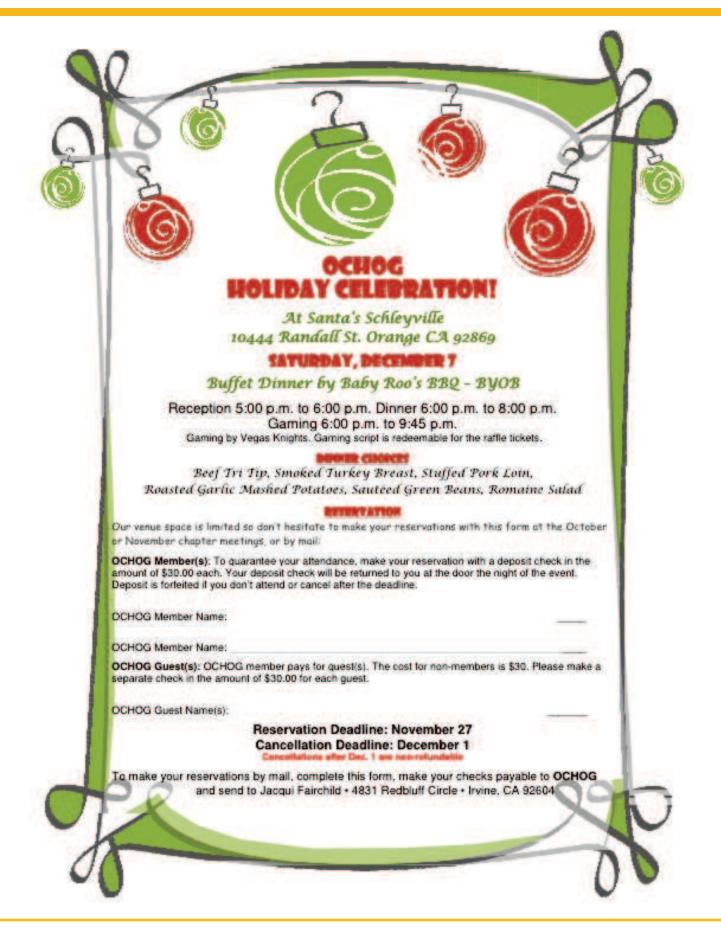
Monday 10 a.m — 5 p.m. Tuesday — Saturday 9 a.m. — 6 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. — 6 p.m.

Service

Tuesday - Saturday 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

### **Upcoming Events at OCHD**

All Saturdays 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Free BBQ lunch for VIPs





15 YEARS OF PROVIDING TOYS TO

# CCHOC Children's.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, 2013

# TOY RUN

ARRIVE 8:00 AM ORANGE COUNTY HARLEY-DAVIDSON 8677 RESEARCH DRIVE, IRVINE DEPART AT: 9:00 AM

ALL RIDERS WELCOME

RIDE TO: CHOC CHILDREN'S

ON BEHALF OF CHOC CHILDREN'S, WE ARE GRATEFUL TO OUR EVENT CO-CHAIRS FOR SUPPORTING THIS YEAR'S TOY RUN. COUNTY SUPERVISOR, TODO SPITZER AND MAYOR PRO TEM, MARK A. MURPHY.



Todd

BRING A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY OR GIFT WITH YOU THE DAY OF OR DROP OFF AT ORANGE COUNTY HARLEY-DAVIDSON PRIOR. AND CHECK OUT SANTA'S WISH LIST FOR THE TOYS MOST NEEDED.

RIDE PIN TO THE FIRST 500 RIDERS REFRESHMENTS AND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL RIDERS FROM CHOC!

#### SANTA'S TOY LIST

CRIB TOYS-MOBILES, BUSY BOXES, BATMAN, SUPERMAN ACTION FIGURES, ASSORTED DOLLS & WE ARE ALWAYS IN GREAT NEED OF MORE ACTIVITIES FOR OUR 13+ KIDS: TOYS LIKE WII'S. PLAY STATIONS, XBOX 360S, AND OTHER ELECTRONIC GAMES WOULD BE ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL

WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT USED TOYS OR STUFFED ANIMALS.

