

Intermountain Chapter HOG (0851) Historical Report 1997

Officers:

Director: Tim Avenell

Photographer: Roger Tipton

Co-Director: Ron Brown

Editor: Joe Petera

Treasurer: Sniv Ballard

Membership: Stan Mock

Secretary: Kay Avenell

News Release: Lee Coles

Road Captain: Lynn Buck, Bud Hollett

Parliamentarian: Jon Grams

Ladies of Harley: Pat Brown

Sponsor: Dick & Mary Rockrohr

Additional Members: Bill Thomas, Randy & Debie Hovde, Jeanette Grams, Cathie Petera, Chris Ballard, Art Firkins, Mike Calligan, Bob Brumpton

Board Activities:

January:

Bud (Road Captain) announced that five prizes of \$100 each will be given out to those members who attended the most chapter rides during the previous year.

Stan (Membership) announced that the chapter had 263 members at the end of the previous year up 100 from the previous year.

Chris (Additional Member) made a motion to renew the chapter's Life Flight membership.

Approved

Jon (Parliamentarian) asked that the position of Sergeant at Arms be changed to Parliamentarian.

Approved

February:

It was decided that general meetings will be held in parks over the summer.

It was suggested that a large cake be provided at general meetings to celebrate birthdays for the month. Approved

A motion was made to spend \$70 on an engraving template of the chapter's logo at Pro Am Sports for use on trophies. Approved

Jon (Parliamentarian) suggested the chapter recognize people for their contributions on a quarterly basis rather than at the After Christmas Party. Approved

General meeting:

Bud (Road Captain) briefed the membership that chapter rides will alternate between Saturdays and Sundays. Anyone wishing to submit a ride idea should fill out a ride sheet and turn it in to a Road Captain. If approved, the submitter will co-captain the ride.

March:

Sniv (Treasurer) stated she didn't agree with the by-laws requirement for two signatures on chapter checks. Bud (Director) stated the practice has not created any problems in the past but was willing to entertain the recommendation of the audit committee.

It was suggested the chapter put excess funds into an interest bearing account or CD. It was decided to have an accountant provide guidance since the chapter is a "not-for-profit" organization.

Ron (Co-Director) briefed that the chapter could save up to 2/3 the cost of mailing newsletters if they were sent "bulk mail". Bulk mail is a bit slower for the post office to process requiring the suspense for newsletter inputs would need to be moved up five days. It would also require the board meeting to be moved from the second to the first week of the month. A motion was made to move the meeting to the first Thursday of the month. Approved

It was noted that the profit from running adds in the newsletter the previous year was \$300.

The search for a new meeting venue continues. Suggestions included Eagle Hills Country Club and the Elks club. It was also suggested that they find a vacant building and have pizza or snacks available.

Smoke is still an issue during general meetings at the current venue. It was agreed the director will ask members not to smoke during the meeting and schedule a smoking break at the 30-minute point.

It was announced that rather than providing a \$1,000 donation requested by the Young Marines, they would be allowed to run the dealership hot dog stand during the remainder of the year.

Ron (Co-Director) spoke with HOG about the chapter designing a chapter logo. After outlining the specific HOG requirements, it was agreed a contest for the membership to design the logo would be held.

General meeting:

Kevin from Life Flight briefed the group there was over 6,000 missions last year and three or four of those missions were related to HOG members. The chapter renewed its membership in the program.

A video was shown and information passed out on HD's "Ride Home" for HOG's 15th and Harley's 95th anniversaries.

April:

Joe (Editor) submitted his letter of resignation due to personal commitments.

May:

LeGrand Rally

VA Hospital Visit

Tim (Director) stated that a “Welcome Package” is needed for new members. It was also suggested that a greeter be appointed to make guests and new members feel welcome at general meetings.

Missing or damaged equipment from the shed has been an on-going problem. Jeanette (Additional Board Member) will check with the sponsor to see if a more secure storage space can be arranged for flags, headsets, bullhorns, amplifiers, etc. A sign-out system will also be developed to account for equipment.

Kathy Holz took over Editor duties.

June:

Hope House Ride

Weiser Rodeo

MDA Ride

Dick (Sponsor) asked for volunteers to fill management positions for 1998 State Rally.

No space is available for chapter equipment at the dealership. It was decided the chapter would rent a secure storage shed.

Dick (Sponsor) made a motion to support four major events for the following year: LaGrande Rally, Weiser Rodeo, Toy Run, and State Rally. Approved

July:

Idaho State Rally (Blackfoot)

August:

Toy Run

September:

Roger resigned as chapter Photographer. The chapter will purchase disposable cameras to take all pictures and collect the cameras for development.

A motion was made to incorporate the chapter. Approved

A motion was made for the chapter to purchase and enclosed trailer to support chapter activities. It would also be loaned out to chapter members. Approved

A change to officer elections was suggested with nominations in October, elections in November, with the new officers taking over during the January board meeting. By-laws would be revised to reflect changes. Approved

October:

General meeting:

Debbie S. won the chapter logo contest.

November:

General meeting:

Belt buckles with the new chapter logo will be given to each paid member. The buckles will be numbered and issued as members turn in their officer ballots at the next meeting.

December:

Toys -for-Tots