



WOLF RIVER HOG CHAPTER #5629



NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2023

RIDE SAFE • GET INVOLVED • HAVE FUN!

UPCOMING EVENTS



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Dec. 3	Chapter Meeting, HOG Barn, 10:30am

Check website and Facebook for updates.

Lucky Swine

Marcia M . 

Marcia was NOT in attendance so \$37.50 will carry over to next month.

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GET INVOLVED

Volunteer at Events

Sign up to help out with the Business Tour Event, Turkey Blowup and more

STAY CONNECTED



Chapter Website: www.WolfRiverChapter.com
 Membership Email: WolfRiverChapter@DocsHD.com
 Wolf River HOG Email: WolfRiverHOG@gmail.com
 Mileage Challenge Email: WRHCRide365@outlook.com

GET SOCIAL



[Wolf River Chapter 5629](#)
Official Wolf River HOG Chapter Facebook Page

[Wolf River Friends](#)
Private members-only discussion group



CHAPTER MEETING NEWS

Director (Matt Radtke): Matt shared that officer nominations for next year are open. Please consider volunteering to get involved with the Chapter. Current roles and nominations are on page 5.

Last month we did highway cleanup. Nothing spectacular was found. Probably, the highlight of the day was Michael Myers driving the van and the Wisconsin State Patrol asking permission to use Team Tigger as cover for speed limit enforcement.

Doc's Annual Halloween Extravaganza followed the highway cleanup. Numbers were down due to the weather but a good time was had by all. The kids were sure cute.



Red River Riders' Day at the races was on Nov. 4 and the Piglet Sale was at the November Chapter meeting.

The Business Tour Party is Saturday, November 11. Doors open at 3:30pm. Remember, your book number because you will need to write that on your ticket.

Volunteers are needed for several events. Doc's Turkey Blowup on Nov. 25 needs people for parking at 9:30am and security at 10:30am. Shawano Christmas Parade on Dec. 1 needs 20 people for parking enforcement and parade security. Sign up and be at Luigi's at 4:30pm.

We also need people for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Dec. 6. We will be at Charlie's County Market and Qualheim's True Value.

Bob Fruzen wasn't at the meeting, so Matt shared that we still need volunteers for stop counters, scavenger hunt, and drawing tickets.

Entertainment (Patty Reedy): Patty shared that The Hot Rods are playing at the Business Tour Party and Dirty Martinis are playing at the Christmas Party.

Head Road Captain (Steve Hauser): Steve thanked everyone for participating this year and looks forward to next year.

Roy Powless thanked everyone that went on an Old Farts Ride. It was a good year with 12 rides averaging 12 people/ride. He invites everyone to come get lost with Roy next year.

Bubb Lidke, Secretary

CHAPTER FINANCES

Rhonda provided this information since the last report,

- Income was \$207,
- Expenses were \$80 and
- Ending balance is \$12,800.80

Most of the account balance is for the Business Tour Book party.

Shannon Schabach, Asst. Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP

There are 213 members signed up for 2023 and there were 80 members attending today's meeting.

Welcome new member **John Winiarski** of Franklin WI to the Chapter.

Remember to keep your National Membership current so your Chapter membership doesn't lapse.

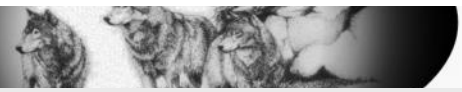
Use your punched card to get 15% off on Harley merchandise at Doc's for the month of your punch.

Special thanks to Marge Delmont for helping with membership at the Chapter meeting.

Pat Lidke, Membership

Invite Friends to Join the Chapter

Encourage people, young and old, who share a passion for riding with activities like group rides, safety, rallies, riding trips, and charity events. New members bring new ideas and endless opportunities.



ACTIVITIES

Business Tour Party – Saturday, November 11. Doors open at 3:30 pm and not before. Tickets will be done from 3:30-5:00 pm. Dinner of chicken and tips will be served from 4-5:30 pm. Prizes will be drawn from 5:30-6:30 pm. Music will follow from 7:00-10:00 pm. Please sign up to bring a dessert! Also, we need help counting and giving out tickets.

Packer Party – Sunday, November 12. Come watch the Packers play the Pittsburgh Steelers at 11:00 am in the HOG Barn. Sign up so we know how much food to order. Patty Edinger is providing Doc’s Sloppy Joes. Please bring a snack to share!

Shawano Christmas Parade – Friday, December 1. Come join us to help with the Shawano Christmas Parade. We need 20 people to help with parking enforcement and security. The Chapter gets paid to work this event. Please sign up to help.

Ladies of Harley Bake Sale – Saturday, December 2. The Ladies of Harley Bake sales will be at the dealership from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Will need help setting up and selling, so please sign up for a 2-hour shift. Call Patty Edinger if you can help. Please package and price your items and bring them on Friday or early Saturday morning. Also, please give me ideas on where you would like the profits donated.

Food Drive – Sunday, December 3. We will have a food drive starting at the December Chapter meeting and continuing at the January meeting (Jan. 7) plus the Christmas Party (Jan. 13). Here are some of the items in need: Canned meats, Cereal, Pasta, Peanut Butter, Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Beans, Soup, Sugar, Jello, Sauerkraut. Personal Care Items; Feminine Products, Diapers, Tissues, Paper Towels, and Toilet Paper.

Ringing the Bells – Wednesday, December 6. Watch for more details.

Christmas Party – Saturday, January 13, 2024. Mark your calendar to attend the Christmas Party.

Busy couple of months ahead, so buckle up and here we go!

Patty Edinger, Activities

CHAPTER MILEAGE CHALLENGE/RIDE 365

We have **116** entries in the Chapter Mileage Challenge and the HOG Ride 365 for 2023. A total of **319,000** miles have been reported by 82 members. These miles include the chapter challenge with the passenger and Ride 365 miles.

The 2023 Mileage Challenge runs through December 4. Ride 365 is free for all National HOG members and runs until December 31.

As of 11/5, the top mileage by Class is as follows:

- A** (Softail/Dyna/Street+) 10,504 miles [**Steve H**]
- B** (Women’s Touring/Trike) 9,207 miles [**Marcia M**]
- C** (Men’s Touring/Trike) 23,800 miles [**Leon M**]
- D** (Shake Rattle n Roll) 2,019 miles [**Paul P**]
- Passenger 4033 miles [**Carrie B**]

The Chapter Challenge will pay out the top five places in each of the five classes, plus an additional 14 Random Winners.

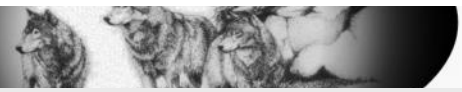
If you’re done riding for the season get your mileage in to beat the rush. Please send your ending miles as soon as you can after ending your riding season, so I can get them entered into the HOG site. Remember, mileage needs to be reported as an odometer reading.

Please send mileage readings to me by email at WRHCRIDE365@outlook.com or send a text to 920-373-4939.

As of 11/5 in Ride 365, our Chapter ranked #14 in the Plains Region. We are 67th out of 496 nationally. Here are the top 5 Chapters in our region:

#	Chapter Name in Our Region	Total Miles
1	2527 - ST CHARLES MISSOURI CHAPTER	1,658,803
2	5230 - KIRKWOOD MO CHAPTER	953,226
3	0880 - ALTON ILLINOIS CHAPTER	569,141
4	2253 - DES MOINES IOWA CHAPTER	466,139
5	3381 - HAWKEYE CHAPTER CORALVILLE IA	429,487
14	5629 - WOLF RIVER CHAPTER SHAWANO WI	319,000

Dave Duddek, Mileage Challenge



CONSIDER BECOMING A CHAPTER OFFICER

If you are interested in getting more involved with the Chapter, consider becoming an officer. Here are the current positions and the person nominated:

- **Director**—Matt Radtke
- **Assistant Director**—Lynne Duddek
- **Secretary**—Bubb Lidke
- **Treasurer**—Shannon Schabach
- **Safety**—John Knickerbocker
- **Head Road Captain**—Steve Hauser
- **Membership**—Pat Lidke
- **Activities**—Tammany Warren
- **Editor**—Joe Langer
- **Webmaster**—Phil Terp
- **Business Tour Book**—Bob Fruzen, Tigger Tanner
- **Mileage**—Dave Duddek
- **Entertainment**—Patty Reedy
- **Photographer**—Jenny McDermid
- **Historian**—Jamie Steeno
- **Ladies of Harley**—Patty Edinger

Other non-officer roles include Old Farts Ride coordinator led by Roy Powless and email/newsletter distribution which is done by Bubb Lidke.

SPONSORING DEALER

Doc reported on his progress with the Turkey for the Turkey Blowup on Saturday, November 25. He is currently working on adding layers to the skin of the turkey. It is always a great show.



Here are some other events planned at the dealership:

- **DOC'S TURKEY BLOW-UP EVENT**, November 25, 2023 12:00PM - 4:00PM
- **WOLF RIVER CHAPTER CHARITY BAKE SALE**, December 02, 2023 9:00AM - 4:00PM
- **PICTURES WITH SANTA**, December 02, 2023 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Check out the Events page on Doc's website to learn more about these upcoming events.

The HOG Barn is available for your special event with seating available for up to 150 people. The Timeline offers its signature food items. For more details or to make reservations for your event call Tammy at the Timeline Saloon & BBQ 715-758-7427.

Kersten Heling, Dealership

CHAPTER OFFICERS

Director	Matt Radtke	715-853-7931
Assistant Director	Ken Radomski	715-304-8084
Secretary	Bubb Lidke	920-494-7986 (h)
Treasurer	Rhonda Hopkins Shannon Schabach	715-853-1916 920-246-3326
Safety	John Knickerbocker	715-584-9251
Membership	Pat Lidke	920-494-7986 (h)
Editor	Joe Langer	920-217-5635
Webmaster	Phil Terp	920-609-1323
Photographer	Jenny McDermid	920-265-9409
Historian	Jamie Steeno	920-655-4380

Activities	Patty Edinger	920-680-7174
Entertainment	Pat Reedy	920-660-4095
Head Road Captain	Stephen Hauseur	920-370-7576
Business Tour	Bob Fruzen Ken Meulemans	920-676-2084 920-378-5879
Mileage Challenge	Dave Duddek	920-373-4939
Dealership	Kersten Heling	715-758-9080 (w)
Other Chapter Roles		
Old Fart Rides	Roy Powless	920-246-2420
Email Distribution	Bubb Lidke	920-494-7986 (h)



SAFETY

Long Winter's Nap?



You remember the poem, "Momma in her kerchief, and I in my cap, had just settled down for a long winter's nap. . ." It's a classic, just like your Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Yes, it's unfortunate. But the weather is getting colder and like me, you're probably thinking about putting your Harley to sleep for the winter. When you are thinking about putting your bike away for the winter, do you remember all the things you should do to get your bike ready for bed?



First, do a very thorough **T-CLOCS**. Check the **Tires** and wheels. Just because there are only 5 to 7 thousand miles on them, or they look like they have plenty of tread left, doesn't mean they're good. Like us, tires age. The rubber becomes harder. That means tires don't grip the road like they used to. You can find out how old your tires are by checking the 4-digit date code located on the sidewall of the tire. It's recommended by maintenance experts that you change your tires at least every 5-6 years, regardless of mileage. As you're getting ready to store your bike for winter, consider getting new tires so you have a great start to the next riding season.

The first "C" is for **Controls**. Make sure they all work like they should. Handlebars, throttle, brakes, clutch, shifter, etc. And remember to lubricate everything, including the cables.

Lights and electrics are next. Check them all. Charge your battery and use a tender to keep it charged.

"O" is for **Oil**, transmission, and other fluids. They should be changed to guard against any contaminants that could cause corrosion. Your fuel is premium and doesn't gel like ethanol enriched unleaded. But it's still a good idea to use a fuel stabilizer and fill-er-up as full as possible to assure no moisture gets trapped in the tank. Moisture can cause rust.



The second "C" is for the **Chassis**. How long has it been since the forks and shocks were serviced? Fork fluids don't last forever just like your car's transmission fluid and antifreeze. When were your belts and/or chains last checked or changed?

And, of course, the "S" is for **Side stand**. The last thing you want is to have the side stand collapse when you put it away. This is where a motorcycle jackstand might come in handy. Not only will it assure your bike stays upright, it also takes the pressure off your suspension and tires. If you don't have one, make sure to move your Harley at least once a month to avoid flat spots on the tires and issues with wheel bearings.

If you can, store your bike in a climate-controlled garage or shed. And before you do, make sure you clean your Harley before storing it. A coat of shine can help avoid rust or corrosion. If you have a cover or tarp, use it to protect your bike from dust and scratches. Oh, and you may want to plug the exhaust to make sure no little critters get in and make a nest.

Having your bike in perfect shape for the next riding season is one of the best ways to make sure your bike is truly ready to ride.



See you next year. Good night. Ride and drive safe out there!

Did anyone see a pesky wabbit around here?



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
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Dec. 4	End of Chapter Mileage Challenge
Dec. 6	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Dec. 27	Officers' Meeting, HOG Barn, 6:30pm
Jan. 7	Chapter Meeting, HOG Barn, 10:30am
Jan. 13	2023 Christmas Party, HOG Barn

Closed events are shaded in gray and are intended for Chapter members plus their guest. Non-designated rides are open to all.



2024 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Local HOG Chapter membership always runs from January 1 to December 31, regardless of the HOG chapter to which you belong, when you joined the HOG Chapter, or when you joined HOG National.

For 2024, Wolf River HOG Chapter dues will again be \$0, zip, nada, FREE!

We will begin accepting membership applications for 2024 at the December Chapter meeting. All Wolf River HOG Chapter (WRHC) 2024 membership forms MUST be dated on or after January 1, 2024. The WRHC Membership Application form has been revised for 2024 and is a one-sided form. The new forms will be available at the December meeting. These are HOG National requirements.

To reiterate:

- WRHC membership applications can be submitted at the December meeting or anytime thereafter.
- Be sure you are using the revised one-sided form.
- All membership applications MUST be dated on or after January 1, 2024
- Membership applications dated prior to 1/1/2024 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED – you will have to complete a new form.
- Applications with dates crossed off and re-dated will NOT be accepted – you will have to complete a new form.
- HOG National membership is required. You must maintain your HOG National membership throughout the year. Allowing your HOG National membership to lapse, automatically terminates your local HOG chapter membership.
- Please write legibly.

Applications can be...

- * Submitted at the Chapter meetings,
- * Mailed to **WRHC Membership, Pat Lidke, 4671 Seminole Trail, Green Bay, WI 54313**, or
- * Dropped off at Doc's Harley Davidson of Shawano County anytime after the December WRHC meeting

Pat Lidke, Membership