

WAIKATO/BAY OF PLENTY HOG CHAPTER

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Welcome to Spring. The mornings are getting lighter and the evenings are drawing out, roll on summer. I hope you all managed to get out riding quite a bit during the winter months, and that you are all looking forward to the rides that are planned for our spring/summer months.

Keep an eye out for the Annual Poker Run flyer which will be coming out soon. I know that the Road Captains have just recently had a practice ride around the route and are very pleased with the route that has been planned. This is our biggest event on the Runs calendar, it's always a great day and one not to be missed.

The Iron Run, Queenstown, 20 - 21 March 2015, is something that I hope you have already marked in your calendars, and hopefully arranged your accommodation. The route for the pre and post Rally ride is nearly complete and it won't be long till the flyer is out, so again, keep an eye out for this and register early.

Enjoy this edition of the HOGWASH and I hope to see you at a Chapter event or on a ride soon.

Janice

Sponsoring Dealers Report

I write this report from Nashville, Tennessee; although by the time this goes to print we will be home again. Barry, Hannah, Blair and I are here to view all the new goodies for 2015 at the annual Harley-Davidson Expo.

The new 2015 Harley-Davidson motorcycle range does not disappoint, as usual the paint work is stunning, and the accessories available are ever increasing. The re-introduction of the re-styled Rushmore Road Glide Special will make this a popular sought after Touring model. Year 2015 models will be available from October 1 in the Dealership. Pre orders and models can be secured prior to this release date.

As I write, Barry is very fortunate to get a ride on the new Livewire motorcycle, what an awesome bike, please don't hesitate to have a chat to him about it, very interesting concept.

The range on offer for Motorclothes and Merchandise is as always never short of awesome and we look forward to the stock coming into store. We already have on its way the new trends in Harley Jewellery, men's rings, ladies bracelets etc, stunning new Motorclothes, stock is always arriving and sells out very quickly, a lot of the ranges are "once only" so it pays to keep an eye on what's new in store.

We have two new staff join the team at Road and Sport— Our new Service Writer in our Service Department, Paul comes to us with experience in the Automotive Industry he has an absolute passion for Harley-Davidson and is here to help you with your motorcycle service needs.

Justine has moved into a different role in the Dealership and Natalie has joined us in Motorclothes and Merchandise. Please make yourself known to Natalie, she has had extensive experience in fashion and is very keen to meet you all and be available to help you with your clothing needs.

Summer is fast approaching and great riding weather, although this has not stopped the Chapter having exceptional numbers on their rides throughout the winter, well done, your Chapter volunteers do a fantastic job of putting together safe and interesting rides for you all.

Thank you to Director Steve and the Chapter Exec who are passionate to get everything right for the members. Annual Poker Run time is nearly here again, it has come around so quickly, look forward to seeing you all there.

Take care out there, "Ride and have fun"
Shelley, and the team at Road and Sport.

Runs Calendar

SEPTEMBER

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION/EVENT	TIME	ROAD CAPTAIN	T.E.C
17th	Wednesday	BOP Dinner	6.30pm	venue to be announced	
21st	Sunday	Rider Safety Training	time and venue to be announced		
28th	Sunday	OPEN RIDE - Mangakino	10.30am	Brian	Matt/Julie/Wendy

OCTOBER

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION/EVENT	TIME	ROAD CAPTAIN	T.E.C
5th	Sunday	Whakatane	9.30am	Ash	Peter/Dave/Trev
8th	Wednesday	Chapter Gathering	7.00pm	10 Pin Bowling, Sky City Casino	
19th	Sunday	Poker Run	time and venue to be announced		
27th	Monday	LABOUR DAY			

NOVEMBER

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION/EVENT	TIME	ROAD CAPTAIN	T.E.C
1st	Saturday	Whakamaru	10.30am	Roy	Chris/Colin
16th	Sunday	Piha	9.30am	Deane	John C/Len
19th	Wednesday	BOP Dinner	6.30pm	venue to be announced	
28th - 30th	Frid - Sund	Thunder Beach - Whitianga	details to be announced		

Whangamata - Sunday 10th August

Hello again fellow Hoggies, Matt Webby here for the second time in a row.... Not sure if this is good or bad luck, but again my card was randomly drawn from the deck... again.

Sunday the 10th of August saw the Waikato/BOP HOG Chapter on a ride to Whangamata. We all gathered at Road and Sport Sunday morning, and what a turn out it was. 27 bikes in total left Road and Sport at 10.30am with Ash as our Road Captain heading the 100km to Kopu Hotel. The weather was a little on the chilly side and the sun wasn't keen on making an appearance, but nothing us tough Harley riders couldn't handle.

We arrived at Kopu at around 11.40am and stretched the legs and swapped a few stories. We were then joined by another two bikes that came over from Whitianga, putting our total at 29 bikes. After a coffee and a chat, the card draw was done... which yours truly took out again.

We then left for the 52km ride to Whangamata, over the beautiful riding roads of the Kopu-Hikuai ranges. The road conditions were great and apart from the odd damp patch, it made for very nice riding. Upon arrival in Whangamata we lined the streets and had a graze at the local cafes to fill the stomachs, followed by a few more stories and laughs before saddling up and making our way over yet another awesome riding road to Waihi.

Upon arrival at Waihi we pulled into the BP, some topped off their tanks while the others were saying their goodbyes and planning their next rides to the next great location these beautiful bikes take us. We then departed from Waihi, the BOP riders headed left

with Ash as Road Captain and the Waikato riders headed right with Deane as Road Captain, as all the members headed back to where ever they call home, after yet another great ride with Waikato/BOP HOG.

The total Km's for the day was 270km (depending where you started and finished) and I got back to Hamilton just before 4pm, so it was a very good days riding and yet again with great company.

Our next Chapter ride is to Awakeri Hot Springs on the weekend of the 30th and 31st of August (with my luck I will most likely be writing that story too :) To those members that will be going on that ride, I will see you then and to those who can't make it, I will see you on the next ride.

Ride safe and stay upright.

With pleasure... again :)

Matt Webby



Blast from The Past - The Chapter's History

Hi all, here is a little look back in time at what was happening within the chapter back in September – October 1991.

The Central North Island Harley's Owners Group was almost 1 year old. Membership stands at 88 members.

Up coming rides and events

21-22 September The Thames Run

Members from Thames had organised this ride which left from Road and Sport then met at the Kopu Hotel for lunch. After lunch they carried on up the Coromandel coast to Tapu lodge for an overnight stay.

28th September

Charity concert at Mount Smart Stadium. Headline acts were Darryl Hall & John Oats, Meatloaf, as well as several Kiwi bands. 100 Harley's were needed to ferry the 100 celebrities from the Regent Hotel to the venue.

18/19/20 October

The chapters first birthday at Orakei Korako Geyser Wonderland. 1-2 night stay depending on the date you left Hamilton.

26/27/28 October

Auckland City Of Cycles Motorcycle Show

For a little bit of fun from the Hoglets page, can you solve the puzzle?

Three puppies were walking one behind the other. The puppies names were Spot, Ginger and Bingo. Spot was behind Bingo. Ginger was in front of Spot. Bingo was in front of Ginger. Which puppy was first in line.

Answer on page 6

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Historian

Open Rides

This coming season the Chapter is offering 2 Open Rides. This means, if a member of your family or a friend owns a motorbike that isn't a Harley-Davidson, they are welcome to come along and enjoy the ride with the Chapter. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

There are some conditions that apply to these rides and the future of the Open Day rides will come down to how successful they are and if the safety aspects of the ride are respected.

The conditions are similar to inviting a guest that is not a Chapter Member and has a Harley Davidson, just with a few more points to take note of.

These are:

- * You may invite one person per full financial Waikato BOP HOG Chapter member.
- * You must attend the ride with your guest.
- * You are responsible for their behavior and you must explain our riding format and rules prior to the ride.
- * Bikes must be road legal.
- * NO German Helmets or Patches are to be worn.
- * The rider must be experienced enough to keep up with the group.
- * The bike size must be suitable for the ride (no bikes that only go 50 km/h)

Our Chapter has a very good safety record and this is paramount to these rides. Come along, join in, ride and have fun.

BOP Dinner - Wednesday 13th August

10 of us ventured out mid week for the BOP Dinner held at Flying Burrito Brothers in Grey Street, Tauranga.

John, an existing member who we haven't seen for awhile returned, which was great, and a couple of newbies to the Tauranga area, Carl and Jan, who have recently moved to the Bay from Auckland. Was really good to see some new faces. We hope to see Carl and Jan come along on a ride soon. (rumour has it that Carl has a rather nice sounding Fat Boy.....).

The night was good with lots of laughter and comraderie. Everybody enjoyed their meals which were very tasty – if you

haven't eaten there yet, well recommended.

Sorry no photos – the photographer forgot her camera :(

Look forward to the next dinner on 17th September.

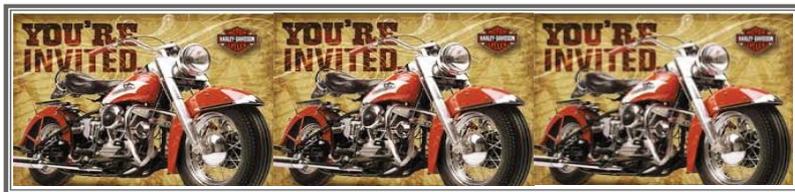
See you next time.

Ride safe Hoggies.....

Tina Wray



Sunday 21st September **BOOKED OUT**



YOU are invited to join the Chapter and take part in a Rider Safety course in Hamilton on **SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER**. The cost is \$50 per bike with a maximum of 20 bikes.

The course will include, exercises in motorcycle control, counter steering, including it's use for cornering, as well as exercises in braking just to name a few There will also be non-riding segments including theory of motorcycle control, techniques of motorcycle riding, position on the roads etc.

The course organisers suggest to bring a pillion if you normally ride 2 up, as it is better to learn, to practice and complete the course with your pillion, as this is how you normally ride.

If this is something that you may be interested in, please email Deane_safety@waikatobophog.co.nz to express your interest.



What would you do if you came across a motorbike accident while you are out riding one day? If the answer is, I'm not sure, well, do I have the answer for you.

There is an opportunity to take part in a day course that will arm you with the skills to help with circumstance like this if the occasion should ever arise.

This would be an ideal course for those members thinking of being Road Captains or Tail End Charlies, but is open for all members of our Chapter, It will give you the confidence to help out, if and when needed.

Email Deane, safety@waikatobophog.co.nz to show your interest in this course. Once we have an idea of numbers we can look at dates. Please bear in mind that there is a significant cost for this course, but what cost do you put on a life?



You won't want to miss out - mark these in your calendar

From the very active Activities officers, hi there all you fellow HOGGIES, have we got some events coming up for you.

1. Have you ever been **10 PIN BOWLING**? or, when did you last play?

Coming up on the **8th October** at the **SKY CITY CASINO** in **HAMILTON** we have booked 4 lanes for you all to come and show us your raw talent. (it will be raw too, if mine is anything to go by). This is **STARTING** at 7pm.

It will be an enjoyable and very interesting evening playing against others, either learners, experienced, good players or not so good players.

There are refreshments and snacks available at the venue for those that might want to buy something. This will be a great fun night.



2. Following the above event we have the annual **POKER RUN** happening on the **19th of October**.

This is always a very enjoyable event with the chance to be in to win, even if you don't know how to play the game (like me). The ride is going in a different direction this year, we are heading south and the only way you will find out where we are going is to enter.



3. Then next year we have a great trip organised that will take you over some of the most beautiful parts of the South Island. Those days will be ending of with some great accommodation for the participants in the Pre and Post rides.

The **IRON RUN** is being held in Queenstown. I think Paul and I have done an amazing job in keeping the accommodation to a reasonable level, hopefully making this more affordable for everyone.

There will be more information to follow from the Road Captains, who are taking each leg, plus, registration forms will be available later on in the year. So keep an eye out for these.

Keep safe and see you at the bowling.

Cheers

Trev and Paul

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Interislander Ferry Discounts

Account name; Harley Owners Club

Account code; FA5357.

Members must enter their HOG Membership number e.g. NZ 209???

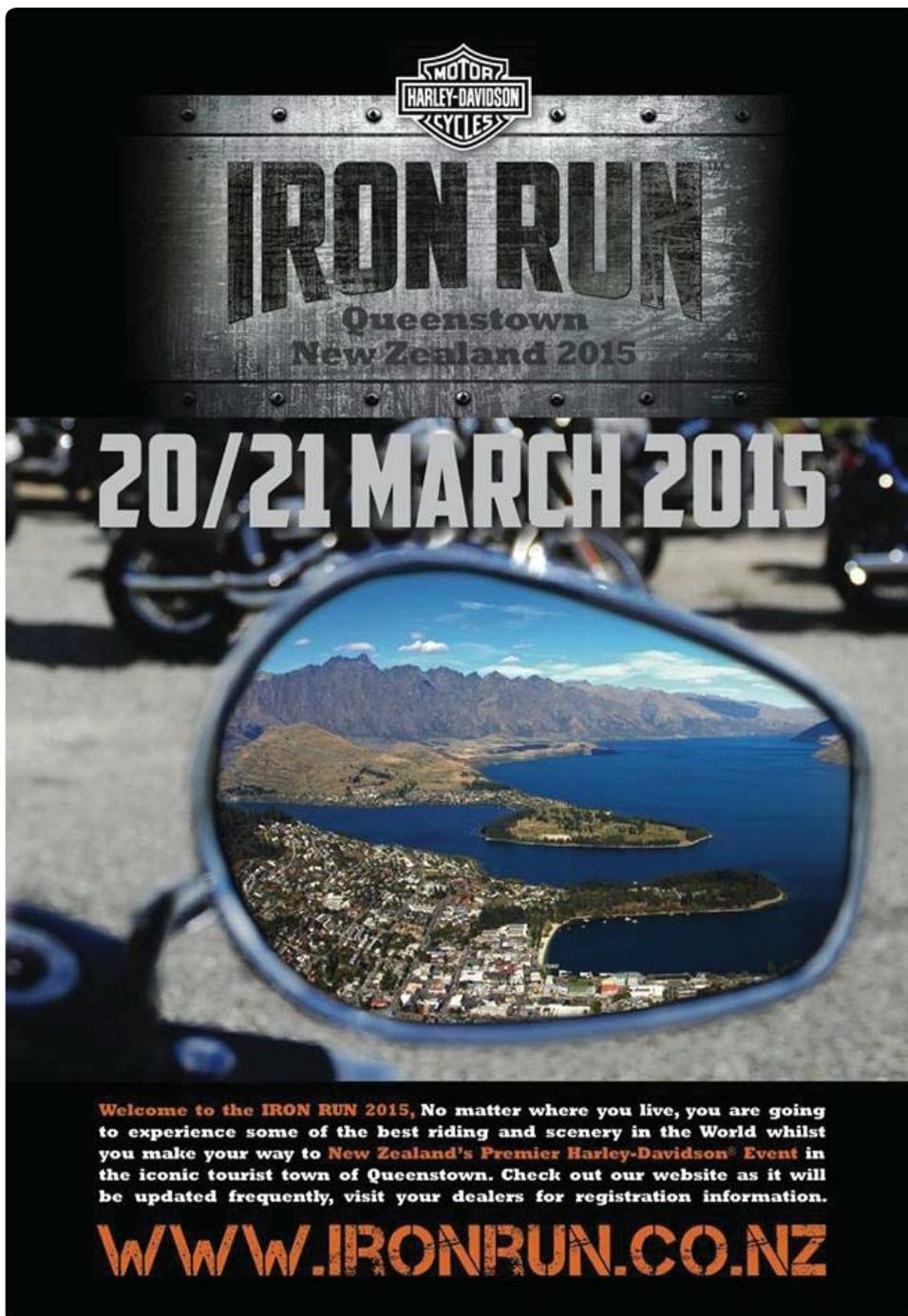
Members must carry their card when sailing or risk having to pay the balance (full fare for the crossing) when checking in.

The savings are worthwhile, the normal Websaver fare is \$111.00 = 1 bike and rider. With the group discount rate it is \$84.00, (\$39 bike, \$45/rider) a saving of \$54.00 return trip. Add a pillion for \$45 per trip.

Please note: This is for HOG members only and must not be given out or used for non HOG members. It is important we protect this for our own or we could lose it.

To enter the group code follow the link <https://www.interislander.co.nz/Booking/Group-Bookings.aspx#>

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A H.O.G. Mileage Program pin and patch will be sent to all H.O.G. members upon enrollment in the program. If you have more than one motorcycle, be sure to enroll each additional bike. After enrollment, additional awards can be earned by satisfying set mileage levels. See HOG.com/miles for details.

Hoglets page Puzzle - Answer

The last clue tells you that Ginger was in front of Spot, and Bingo was in front of Ginger. So Bingo was first followed by Ginger then Spot.

Awakeri Hot Springs - 30th - 31st August

This must have been the most anticipated ride this year – “why?” you ask, well, Julie and Mat were waiting at the church in Cambridge for Steve the Road Captain to arrive, thinking - “Hell he’s late, ummmm, should we ride to Hamilton and meet them?” However, common sense prevailed and they decided not to, thank goodness for that as they had set off a week early..... nice one.

Tina and myself couldn’t wait either, we rode over the Kaimais to meet the group at Te Poi, from Te Poi, rode back over the hill and on to the Mount for coffee where we met up with Steve, who’d ridden over from Whakatane, and Mark from the Bay. From there 9 bikes and 10 hoggies headed along the coast on HW 2 to Whakatane where we stopped for lunch at the Fishing Club.

After lunch we headed off to the local supermarket to get our supplies (bread and milk....yeah right) before heading to the hot pools at Awakeri.

After checking in at the pools, unloading the bikes, and put the supplies in the fridge to cool, Julie suggested taking a ride out to Ohope. From Awakeri we headed towards Gisborne, took a left back into Ohope (where we had a stop for ice cream), headed over the Whakatane hill and back to the pools. This was a fantastic ride, nice sweeping bends and lots to see. The loop ride was about 70 kms, a big thanks to Julie (this is a must do ride if you haven’t done it yet).

Time for a dip in the hot pools... ahhhhhh... absolutely fantastic.

Back to ours for nibbles and drinks, this is where it all comes out - I’m sure there must be something in the water or ice cream, as a certain person was checking out Mats little dangly thing when we were in Ohope..... and it wasn’t Julie.

On his tour around the States, Chief pink cloud said when riding, he came across turtles crossing the road!!! Was there something in the pool water other than minerals, was there more in the ice cream than meets the eye, or was it just the rum, who knows???

Dinner anyone? Yeah takeaways, only two people able to collect the dinner, big Matt on his noisy Road King and Tina. What an act as Tina had trouble mounting and dismounting the bike all you could hear was Tina cracking up.

Had a good morning swim, packed up, met Steve at the gate, Chief pink cloud took us on a small detour through Mamaku Village, another good ride, back onto HW 30, around the Lakes and into Rotorua for breakfast on the waterfront, where we were entertained by a guy playing the Sax while we ate. We said our goodbyes and rode down HW 5 to Tirau.

I must say that the company, riding, and the weather, were all great, and thanks to Steve our Road Captain.

Until next time, ride safe and have fun.

C-DUB
BOP Area Co-Ordinator



NEW MEMBERS INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION - held on the first Saturday of September, November, March, May and July at Road & Sport. Times are stated on the Runs calendar unless otherwise specified by email. Please contact Wendy at membership@waikatobophog.co.nz if you are interested in attending.

BE ON TIME - it pays to be prompt at the organized rides, which means you need to be fully fuelled up before arriving at the designated departure point. All rides depart from Road & Sport and departure times are stated on the Runs calendar, unless specified by email. All BOP Rides

depart from Caltex, Tauriko, at the time specified by the BOP Co-ordinator, unless otherwise specified.

For more information on any of the rides, please contact your Road Captain.

GENERAL MEETINGS/GATHERINGS - as a member of the Waikato/BOP Chapter you are encouraged to attend our quarterly gatherings/meetings. These vary each gathering/meeting (guest speakers, meals, fun nights) with varied venues, starting at 7.00pm. (unless otherwise specified). This is a great time to socialize and get together with old and new friends.

HOGWASH MAGAZINE - our magazine is issued 6 times per year and includes our ride calendar and other information for members. There are write ups/stories on

what has happened in the club over the past couple of months. Our newsletter only works if you submit your write ups/stories, so please don't forget to send them in. And of course, photos of the rides are always appreciated by other club members.

OBTAINING HOGWASH NEWS - the magazine will be either posted out to members who have opted for this option or available by email, as an Adobe Acrobat PDF file, and on the Chapter Website.

WAIKATO/BOP WEBSITE
www.waikatobophog.co.nz

You will find heaps of interesting items including a Photo Gallery, Ride Calendar, links to other Chapters and a lot more. Remember to save this in your 'favourites'

RENEWING OF YOUR INTERNATIONAL H.O.G MEMBERSHIP

It is important that your International H.O.G membership remains current. This is to ensure that your local Waikato / Bay of Plenty membership can continue.

The following are a couple of ways for you to renew your International H.O.G membership, either by phoning 0800-464258 or, through the H.O.G website www.members.hog.com

You can also access this site through www.hog.com Upon entering www.hog.com, click on New Zealand, then on the far left hand side click on "members only."

For new members to the H.O.G website (www.hog.com) If you are new to this site and have not entered your details before, you will need to click on "create profile". Ensure you keep your

password details, as you will require this information to log onto this website in the future.

For members that have already created their profile previously: Enter your "password" into the login area on far left hand side. Near the top of the screen, you will see your name and member number in a light green box, under this, click on "Renew Membership", this then takes you to a secure site.

Under the "Membership Renewal" area, enter your membership number, your last name and then choose length of time you would like to renew your membership for. Then, enter your email address and then, enter your email address once again as confirmation. You can then click on "continue to confirmation and payment" and complete details.

If you have any queries regarding your International H.O.G. membership you can also email, hogau@harley-davidson.com

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

A REMINDER TO MEMBERS: On the last day of the month in which your Local and/or International H.O.G membership expires and you have not renewed your membership, it will become inactive.

- * You will no longer be an active member of the Waikato/Bay of Plenty H.O.G Chapter and will not receive any further correspondence or able to partake in Chapter activities.
- * Your Local and/or International membership will need to be renewed before you are able to enjoy the benefits of being a member of the Waikato/Bay of Plenty H.O.G Chapter.

Men's Chapter T-Shirt \$20.00



Women's Chapter T-Shirt \$20.00



HOG Badge \$20.00



Chapter Rocker \$20.00

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RIDES INFORMATION:

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BAY OF PLENTY RIDES:

All B.O.P rides depart from Caltex, Tauriko at the time specified by the B.O.P Co-ordinator.

CLOSED EVENTS:

Are those Local HOG Chapter events which are open to current Local HOG Chapter members and one guest per member.

If the guest is a rider they must be riding a Harley-Davidson.

MEMBER ONLY EVENTS:

Are events that are open to current Local HOG Chapter Members ONLY e.g. Chapter Poker Run.

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