

WAIKATO / BAY OF PLENTY HOG CHAPTER 9104



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Editor's Report - Winter 2016

Hello everyone,

I hope you have enjoyed the HOGWASHs over the last couple of years, as much as I have enjoyed producing them. Thank you to all of those who have provided write-ups, it is the write-ups that makes the HW so interesting.

This will be my last HW, as I have decided to stand down from the committee. I have been Secretary for 3 years, Editor for 2 years and Webmaster for 5 years and now feel it is time to stand back and open the door to allow for other members to take on the roles of Editor and Webmaster

The Chapter's annual AGM was held last Saturday. There was a great turn out, even though numbers were down from last year. There are a number of Executive Committee positions that have not been filled, so, please take a minute to check them out, and consider offering to join the committee. We need people like you on the committee so please feel free to get in touch with the Chapter's new Director to discuss this further.

We were privileged to have (Kebs) Ian Kebbell, the Regional Director for HOG NZ join us at the AGM. He spoke about next years Iron Run in Queenstown and reminded everyone to not leave it too late to book accommodation, as it is going to be such a great weekend, and the accommodation will/is booking out fast.

Thank you all once again, and hope to see you all on a ride soon.

Janice Blaikie

Director's Report - Winter 2016

'Previous' Directors Blog – Winter 2016

The time has come for me to hang up my boots and pass the Directorship of the Chapter over to the next recipient. It is with great pleasure that I welcome in the new Director – Trev Savage and wish him well for the coming term. I have enjoyed my time in the role over the past three years and have met a lot of lovely people during that time.

Not only have I hung up my Director boots, but my farming boots as well! After farming ever since I left school, I now head back to school to a teaching role and have been enjoying the challenges that present them. HOG has certainly helped me with my abilities to speak in front of people and to also manage them – two faculties required in teaching!

Unfortunately my time also came to permanently move out of the Waikato to Whanganui. I think the best thing about HOG is the amazing people we meet and will meet again in future. My team from the past years Executive have worked really well to get through some challenges and I do thank all of them for their support and friendship. Please get behind Trev and the new Executive team. It takes a lot of support and everything is done voluntarily.

Finally, a big thank you to Shelley, Barry and Hannah. You have all been very supportive of the HOG Chapter and I would like to acknowledge just how important the Dealer/Chapter relationship is. It is a credit to you and your team at Road and Sport and I look forward to travelling back to Hamilton and riding with the Chapter again in the future.

I hope to see you all on the road again,

Steven Richardson

No longer Director but.....

Webmaster

Runs Calendar 2016

July

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION/EVENT	TIME	ROAD CAPTAIN	T.E.C
2nd	Saturday	Whakatane	10.30am	Brian	Kevin & Len
13th	Wednesday	Waikato/BOP Dinner in the Bay	6.30pm		

August

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION/EVENT	TIME	ROAD CAPTAIN	T.E.C
7th	Sunday		10.30am	Julie	John C
17th	Wednesday	Chapter Gathering	6.30am		

Sponsoring Dealer's Report 2016

I would like to acknowledge Director Steve, the 2015-2016 HOG Executive Committee, the membership of the Waikato/Bay of Plenty HOG Group. Past Director Rick Aird and Helen, and Ian Kebbell HOG Regional Director for New Zealand.

It is with pleasure that I present my 2016 Sponsoring Dealers report.

I want to use this opportunity to thank the past Exec for all of their volunteer time they have given to the HOG Chapter. I wish to acknowledge Steve, your Chapter Director, Steve I so enjoyed working with you, you are a very busy man in your private life and your willingness to lead and work with the Chapter over the past three years is much appreciated not only by myself but the entire Chapter.

To Janice and Deane Blaikie for the tireless work they have put in for the Chapter in the many roles they have taken. Wendy Legg for her services as Membership Officer, Cherie Weir for her time put into the Historian role. Chris Savage for her time as Secretary and allowing her time to transition into the Treasurer role, to Paul Hooker and Trevor Savage for their roles as Activities Officers, Chris and Tina Wray for their efforts in the Bay and Tina in her role as Photographer. Ash Owen for his continued work for the Chapter in the Head Road Captain position. I have been speaking with Ash on a regular basis as he goes through his treatment and Ash is quite happy for me to report that he is doing very well, so far a very positive outcome for him, I wish Ash and Barb much love and support on their journey.

Finally, I wish to thank Gill Sanson for all her efforts on the Chapter Exec, for 13 whole years she has given of her volunteer time doing the Historian, Secretary and Treasurer role. I wish to acknowledge also Lindsay, I know that he has supported Gill in all her time given for the Chapter. I will certainly miss working with Gill, her reliability and commitment to the Chapter. Please accept this small acknowledgement from Road and Sport and the Waikato/Bay of Plenty HOG Chapter.

Road Captains and Tail End Charlies. Without these people and their volunteer time we don't have a Chapter. Thank you to you all for putting yourself forward to support the Chapter rides, making them safe and supporting the Harley riders as they enjoy a Chapter ride.

It is important to me that I thank Past Directors who are always available to chat and give counsel to me on all things HOG.

Thank you to Hannah and all the staff at Road and Sport who do a lot of the work behind the scenes for the Chapter.

On behalf of HOG International and Road and Sport it is always a pleasure to acknowledge and present the medallions for those individuals in our view who have stood out in their contribution to your Chapter and the Chapter Executive in the 2015-2016 Chapter year.

Steve Richardson as you know has been your Director for the past 3 years, Steve thank you very much for keeping the team together, being creative in your ideas to make this Chapter what it is. It has been much appreciated by myself, the Dealership and HOG.

Paul Hooker, Paul has given many hours to his role as Activities Officer, to his responsibility as Road Captain, I have always enjoyed your input into the Chapter and thank you for your volunteer time, without members like yourself Chapters do not happen.

Chris Savage, Chris has been in the role as Secretary and has accepted the role of Treasurer moving forward, Chris I have appreciated your willingness to offer your volunteer time on behalf of the Chapter.

Janice & Deane Blaikie for all your efforts and time on behalf of the Chapter organizing celebrations for the Chapters 25th Anniversary.

Hannah Manssen – Hannah fields many calls from HOG members, she fills out forms for members who have run out of time to ensure that they get their registration in for events, she completes and processes their International memberships, she takes many calls and enquiries from HOG members regularly, and does the HOG compliancing for the Dealership for HOG International. Hannah I certainly appreciate the support that you give myself and the HOG Chapter.

It is at this time every year that I announce the Director for the following HOG year, it is with much pleasure I announce that Trevor Savage has accepted the role as Chapter Director for the 2016-2017 Chapter year, Trevor I wish you all the best and I look forward to working with you to maintain the great Chapter that we have in the Waikato/Bay of Plenty.

So here we are again, looking forward to another great Waikato/Bay of Plenty HOG year. I look forward to working with the Executive Group, and wish the membership safe, fun filled and enjoyable riding.

Shelley Sproule
Sponsoring Dealer

Chapter Executive Committee 2016 - 2017

DIRECTOR	Trevor Savage
SECRETARY	Erin Burr
TREASURER	Chris Savage
ACTIVITIES OFFICER 1	Paul Hooker
ACTIVITIES OFFICER 2	Dave Webby
SAFETY OFFICER	-
BOP CO-ORDINATOR	Brian Legg
EDITOR	-
HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN	Ash Owens
HISTORIAN	-
WEBMASTER	Steve Richardson

Rotorua ride - Sunday 15th May 2016

What a great day for a ride. The sun was shining in a virtually cloudless sky and the temperature wasn't too shabby as well. Was strange commenting about how warm it was in mid-May.

Paul Hooker, our Road Captain for the day did his briefing at 10:20 and then at 10:30 16 bikes took off making our way down to Arapuni via Te Awamutu and Kihikihi picking up two of the Bay bikes on the way. Weather turned a bit sour with enough drizzle to get the riding jeans wet but not enough to stop and get the wet weather gear wet. Anyway, it had stopped by the time we pulled up outside the Rhubarb Café in Arapuni for a quick nibble and excellent coffee.

On the road again through some great little roads down to Whakamaru where Paul did the card draw. Must be the matching haircuts as he pulled the 2 spades and I had the 3, couldn't get any closer than that. So I got snookered into this essay, but the \$20.00 voucher is very much appreciated provided I can keep my wife's hands off it. Thank you.

Off again under mildly cloudy skys winding along some more great roads to Rotorua and the Lakeside Café (where else) for a late lunch. It was bye bye to the Bay bikes and the rest of us took off along the main roads back to Hamilton arriving back with the sun shining in our eyes.

All in all it was a very enjoyable little ride of about 320 km, through some scenic countryside and delightful little twisties. Paul, as the RC did a great job keeping the group together and riding at a respectable pace. Apparently he reckons he's good looking as well, but I wouldn't go that far.

Peter Dunkin.

Kaiaua ride - Sunday 1st May 2016

On a beautiful warm and sunny day we headed off to Kaiaua on the Auckland side of the Firth of Thames lead by Wendy, who did an absolutely fabulous job of keeping all of the 29 Harleys together.. Thankyou Wendy. Well, most of us knew we were off to Kaiaua anyway. We were on our way down Te Rapa Road when we realised there was another Harley going hard out to catch us up, David and Judy were running late, but felt okay that they would miss the leaving time because David knew the way to Kawhia and would just meet us there for Fish and Chips!!

Oops David, lucky you saw us leaving on our way to KAIAUA and did a wee bit of dodgy riding to catch up!! LOL

Our first stop was at The Native Tree Café at Mangateparu for coffee and the yummiest homemade pies. We did miss you Nick Malcolm! This is a fabulous café spot with great parking for the bikes and lots of shade. The service was fast and the food great. I think Rick is detouring from now on, on his way home from work in Auckland to 'taste test' the pies. Thanks for 'taking one for the team' Rick!

It was a perfect day for riding and enjoying the beautiful scenery on the way to Kaiaua for their famous Fish and Chips. We were joined there by Brian, one of our HOG Members from Waiheke Island. A real nice guy. I'm pretty sure we will see more of him. Thank you for making the effort Brian, looking forward to seeing you on a ride again soon. Some of our riders chose to go next door to the hotel for a beer and burger. That's the great thing about us HOGGIES. No Pressure.

We left a beautiful warm sunny afternoon and continued back on to Te Aroha, with some turning off, heading on their way home. The final fuel stop and goodbyes (and endless hugs and handshakes, love it!) at Te Aroha. Most of us would have been home around 3-4pm. Thank you again Wendy for a fabulous and well planned day and also to the Tail End Charlies for keeping us all together. Ride safe until we see you all again.

Raewyne Bills



Kawhia ride - Sunday 17th April 2016

I had great hopes for a beautiful day on Sunday, especially as I had been out waterskiing in nice warm sunshine on Saturday. But alas, I woke up to light drizzle and Chris said it was raining in the Bay when they left, Pete, who lives over Te Awamutu way turned up in his wet weather gear so it wasn't looking too good.

However, when we all got to Road & Sport the weather had cleared and we were able to leave in pleasant conditions. There was only about 10 bikes with about thirteen people which I was a little surprised about as winter will be here soon enough. Brian was the Road Captain for the day with Wendy being absent. Chris was the Tail end Charlie.

Our destination was to Kawhia via Pirongia. Once you have left Hamilton it's always a good ride with no traffic and nice windy roads.

I was riding two bikes back but noticed Gavin and Raewyn were scrapping their foot pegs, once we got to Kawhia I couldn't help giving them some light ribbing about extra ballast been carried somewhere and then there was a bit of finger pointing going on! Whilst I have mentioned those two, I have to tell you Raewyn regaled us with her story about her and her girlfriends not being served more wine at Pak & Save ! (ask her for more details when you next see her)

I worked out that I hadn't been to Kawhia for 42 years, not much had changed but you could buy a house for \$65,000!

After a coffee break and stretch we headed off to the Waitomo Caves for lunch via Oparu through Te Anga. If you have never ridden this road it is very scenic and well worth while, unfortunately we had light drizzle and road works on this trip.

We had lunch at Curly's Bar which has a nice big deck out front which over looks the carpark and a bit of the countryside.

I had to laugh, there was only one barstaff/waitress on right in the middle of lunch time, asking her about it she informed me the boss had buggered off for the day after getting them drunk last night, leaving her to it. (her words were a little different) only in New Zealand eh.

The food was standard pub fare and the weather was pleasant by then, a number of other bike groups arrived at the same time. As there are many roads to take once you get to Otorohanga we said our goodbyes once we had finished lunch and had a good catch up and yarn.

Depending on where you leave from the total distance is around 250kms from Hamilton and I highly recommend this trip.

Cheers

Ward McAsey



DID YOU KNOW?

Motorcycles have the highest level of risk per kilometre travelled. You are 19 times more vulnerable riding a motorcycle than driving a car.

Motorcyclists are less visible, have less protection and less stability than most other road vehicles.

Most Waikato rural motorcycle (over 70 km/h) road crashes occur during daylight in weekends.

Urban Waikato motorcycle road crashes occur at peak times on weekdays.

A rider without a helmet is three times more likely to suffer severe brain damage than a rider with a helmet in the same type of crash.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO REDUCE THE RISK?

Increase your riding skills – undertake rider training.

Be seen – wear bright protective clothing including a high visibility vest.

Buy a bike suitable for your needs and experience.

Keep your bike well maintained and ready for the road.

Don't overestimate your riding ability.

Wear the right riding gear:

a well fitted full-face helmet

motorcycle gloves

riding boots

protective jacket and pants

Safe Riding Tips

Extend your vision

One of the most important things you can do to be a safer motorcyclist is to look well ahead of you when you're riding, so you can pick up potentially dangerous situations before it's too late. Keep your eyes up for balance and control.

The earlier you spot a potential hazard, the more time you will have to take evasive action if necessary.

Rather than looking only as far as the vehicle in front of you when riding, you should actually be scanning the road in front to a distance of at least 12 seconds ahead of you - that is, the place you will be after riding for 12 seconds.

As a rough guide, at 50km/h, 12 seconds is 166 metres or about two city blocks. At 100km/h, 12 seconds is 333 metres. This means at 100km/h you should look ahead as far as you can see.

Use your height advantage to look over or through the vehicle in front of you, so you can see what's going on ahead.

Keep your eyes moving. Many people only look ahead of them when riding. This means they're not getting the full picture of what's happening on the road.

As well as looking ahead, you should also use your mirrors to look to the sides and behind often enough to be aware of surrounding traffic. This will help you spot potentially dangerous situations that could be forming around or behind you.

Moving your eyes regularly and concentrating on what's going on around you will also help you to stay alert on long journeys.



Head checks

Motorcycles have blind spots just like other vehicles. When you change lanes, make sure you turn your head and look over your

shoulder (in the direction you intend to move) at traffic behind you.

This head check is the only way to see a car behind you in the next lane.

Position

As a motorcycle rider, you can put yourself in a position to see things that a driver of a car cannot see.

On curves, you can move to one side of the lane or the other to get a better view through the curve.

At intersections, you are closer to the corner than the driver of a car. This gives you a wider view of approaching traffic.

At the roadside, you can angle a motorcycle across the road so you can see both directions without straining. This is particularly important when making a turn across traffic.

Create a safety cushion

You should create a 'cushion' of safety around your whole vehicle by making sure there is a safe distance in all directions between you, other vehicles and potential hazards.

This will give you and other road users more time and space to avoid any hazards.

Create a cushion of safety ahead of you by maintaining a safe following distance. Use the two-second rule - or the four-second rule when appropriate.

Create a cushion of safety behind you by maintaining a safe distance between you and any following vehicles. If a vehicle is following you too closely, slow down, move over and let it pass as soon as you can do so safely.

Create a safety cushion to your sides by keeping a safe distance from any hazards on your sides, such as driveways, parked vehicles, cyclists or children playing on the footpath.

Don't get distracted

It's easy to get distracted when you're riding. Things like a talking pillion passenger, passing scenery and roadside advertising can all divert your attention from your riding and the road.

You must learn to ignore distractions and



concentrate on riding. If, for any reason, you must look away from the road, follow these pointers:

> Check well ahead and behind for any potential hazards. Don't look away if you can see potential hazards.

> Remember, if you do look away from the road, you will still have to maintain your direction.

> Never take your eyes off the road for longer than is absolutely necessary. For example, while driving at 90km/h, if you took your eyes off the road for two seconds you will travel 50 metres.

Identify escape routes

Following the tips above will help you avoid many potentially dangerous crashes. However, despite all your best efforts, there may still be occasions when you find yourself on a direct collision course with another vehicle or other hazard.

For this reason, it is wise to identify possible escape routes all the time while you're on the road. That way, if you find yourself in danger of a crash, you'll be ready to take quick evasive action.

Most escape routes will be to your left, so take note of what's on the left-hand side of the road as you ride. Ask yourself questions like:

> 'Is there a wide shoulder I could ride onto?'

> 'Can I ride off the road safely if I need to?' If there are no safe escape routes, reduce your speed and increase your following distance so you can stop in plenty of time if a crash situation develops.

Check out the NZ Transport Agency website for more information and for the official NZ Rode Code for motorcyclists; www.nzta.govt.nz



Is it Friday yet?
I want to ride!



Opononi Weekender - 4th - 6th June 2016

14 brave souls on 9 bikes, headed off from Road and Sport in a very, very brisk -3c at 8.30am on Saturday morning. We thought the temperature was quite enough to contend with, but we hadn't made it onto the back road from Hamilton to Tuakau to encounter the pea-soup fog that descended upon us yet. It came down thick and low and between that and condensated helmets it was hard work catching sight of the road ahead, let alone the bike ahead! For many of us, the choice was lift your visor and freeze your face off or simply not see at all. This was our first Waikato / BOP Hog Club ride... well, welcome to the club guys!

Thankfully with Paul as Road Captain up front all 14 of us we made our way slowly but surely all the way to Tuakau without incident. The sight of the sun burning through the fog, blue skies and the Sugar Plum Cafe made the slightly harrowing trip all worthwhile. Caffeine in the system and somewhat thawed out it was back on the road and headed for Kumeu.

The air was still pretty icy, but in sunshine and clear skies we continued north in far more pleasant conditions. We even managed to navigate Spaghetti Junction without a hitch and before we knew it we had got to Blossom's Cafe in time for lunch. This proved to be a great little spot for a pit stop.

Then it was off on the remaining part of the journey through to Opononi. The last major hurdle between us and our final destination for the day was the Waipoua Forest. Absolutely stunning scenery it is, through a forest of impressive Kauris, but not a lot of time to gaze up in wonder as the road is winding, wet and mossy.

Having made our way out of the forest and back into the light of day we are greeted by the gorgeous vista of Opononi below... a perfect end to a great day riding. We then settled in at the lovely Opononi Lighthouse Motel. Although no time for too much R & R here, it was more shower and change and head down for "refreshment" at the Opononi Hotel.

Here one or two beverages were consumed and many a story shared... culminating at some point in the night in two of our group falling in the ditch arm in arm. The ditch was wet and it has been said took 20 minutes to climb out of (?? what were you up to boys??) but at least someone's jeans got the first machine wash of

their life. (Fun Fact... no need to wash jeans... just throw them in the freezer between uses, aye Baz)

Sunday was a free day and although some of us were feeling the effects of the long ride yesterday 7 bikes decided to make the trip over to Russell. This was an easy ride broken up by a Ferry from Paihia to Russell and a fabulous lunch at The Duke of Marlborough.

Heading back to the ferry we came across another "Biker"... this one of the non-motorised and slightly deranged variety. He was weaving across the road, pedalling with knees out at precarious right angles, and I expect a few sandwiches short of a picnic. We were all pretty surprised when a couple of kilometers down the road he cycled right through the middle of our group awaiting the ferry, stopped at the front, legs astride his bike and arms folded and gave a nod of his head and a "Chur Bro" to the front Hoggie.

On return to the Lighthouse motel we shared stories of the day and were told that the giant Kauri, Tane Mahuta located not far south of Opononi, was definitely worth a look.

The takeaway joint just up from the motel got rave reviews and we can vouch for the Sunday roast at the Opononi Hotel.

After a big Saturday, Sunday night was a quieter affair... just as well as the consensus was to head off on the return trip at a bright and early 7.30am.

We took a gentle ride back through the forest and then continued down SH16 to Wellsford, admiring some spectacular coastal views and sculptures along the way. We then managed to avoid the holiday weekend traffic with a bit of a ticky tour off the main motorway and through west Auckland, finally returning to SH1 at Manukau.

The main ride concluded at Mercer with a fuel stop, coffee and final chin wag before we all continued on our respective paths home.

All in all a great weekend, great ride and great company. The mission is "To ride and have fun". MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.

Catherine and Jeremy

Kind regards,

Jeremy Barker

Interislander Ferry Discounts

Account name; Harley Owners Club
Account code; FA5357



Group Booking conditions and instructions for members are:

- Each reservation must be made direct with Interislander
- Book online at www.interislander.co.nz/Booking/Group-Bookings.aspx putting FA5357 in group discount box
- Every reservation will be given an expiry/payment date, required to be paid in full by that date
- Space is subject to availability at the time of the booking request
- All owners need to bring their own tie downs
- HOG membership card to be shown at check in – no card then retail fares will be charged.
- Bookings are 90% refundable if cancelled after payment.
- Fares valid for travel from 01 February through to 18 December 17

The below rates are based on return travel, prices to date, inclusive of GST and subject to availability.

Fares:	Off Peak each way	Fares:	Peak each way
Adult	\$45.00	Adult	\$52.00
Premium Lounge	\$45.00 – 18yrs plus	Premium Lounge	\$45.00 – 18yrs plus
Child	\$25.00	Child	\$25.00
Motor Cycle	\$39.00	Motor Cycle	\$49.00
Car/Van/4x4/trailer up to 5.5 metres	\$124.00 each	Car/Van/4x4/trailer up to 5.5 metres	\$137.00
Each half metre over 5.5 metres	\$19.00	Each half metre over 5.5 metres	\$22.00

Off Peak Dates:

01 March -12 April 17

19 April – 18 December 17

Peak Dates:

01-28 Feb 17

13-18 April 17

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.



Chapter Ride Card Draws



How many of us like to win?? How about winning a \$20 petrol voucher?

When you come along on a Chapter ride, rider or pillion, you will notice the Road Captain with a pack of playing cards offering Chapter members the chance to draw a card from the pack. The winning card prize is a \$20 petrol voucher and the chance to provide the write up on the ride for the Chapter's newsletter - the HOGWASH. The write up is optional.

But what isn't optional is the winner being a **current financial member of the Chapter**. The Road Captain relies on the honesty of those drawing a card that they are a current paying member of the Waikato/BOP HOG Chapter.

Make Your Miles Count

The H.O.G. Mileage Program rewards you for doing what you love most ... riding. Harley recognizes the accomplishments. The more miles you log on your Harley®, the more recognition you receive.

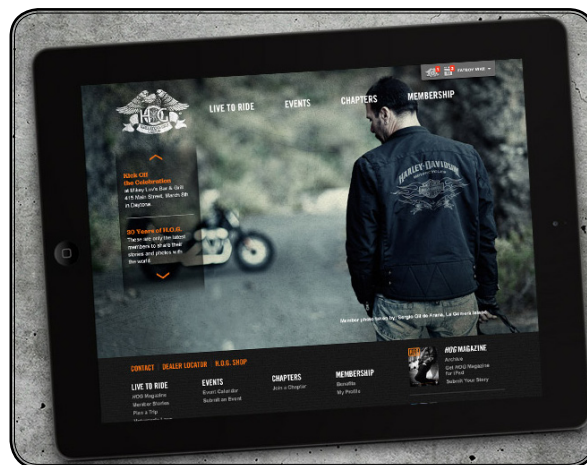
A H.O.G. Mileage Program pin and patch will be sent to all H.O.G. members upon enrollment in the program. If you have more than one motorcycle, be sure to enroll each additional bike. After enrollment, additional awards can be earned by satisfying set mileage levels.

See HOG.com/miles for details.



An ALL-NEW Membership Exclusive!

Harley-Davidson has launched an entirely redesigned website, making it easier than ever for members be in the know. Get VIP event info, photos, stories, videos and rides available only to H.O.G. Members.



Take some time to check out the all-new members.hog.com today.

Hot off the Press - Chapter T-Shirts

The Chapter's Executive Committee are extremely happy to announce that the Chapter's new T-Shirts can be purchased from Road & Sport, and we think they look sensational.

There is a wide variety of sizes and we are expecting these to go very quickly, so you will want to be in quick to get yours. Head on down to Road & Sport Harley Davidson to check them out and to purchase your t-shirt (or two).

Short sleeved \$49.00 (Men and Women's), \$59.00 for the long sleeve.

Show the world that you are a proud Waikato/BOP HOG Chapter member.



Women's t-shirt
sizes XS - 2XL



Men's t-shirt
sizes S - 2XL



Men's/Women's long Sleeve t-shirt
sizes S - 3XL

Chapter 25th Anniversary Pens



As part of the Chapter's 25th Anniversary celebrations in December last year, the members that attended the evening were gifted an anniversary pen in a presentation box.

The HOG logo and wording "Waikato/BOP HOG Chapter 25th Anniversary, 1990 - 2015" are printed on the pen and on the box.

I know you will want to keep one of these special pens as a memento so you will want to purchase these sooner than later as they will sell very fast.

You will also want to have one of these pens in your pocket or handbag to use, they are such a lovely pen to write with, plus they will also make great presents - so be in quick.

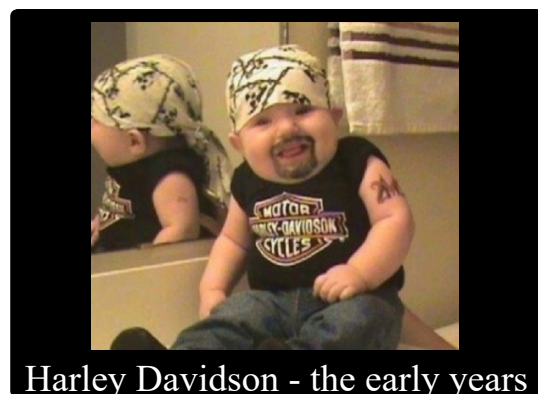
These can be purchased from Road & Sport Harley Davidson for \$20 each.



Murphy's Motorcycle Laws

1. A motorcycle can not/will not fall over without an audience.
2. The fact your keys/fob are still in your pants pocket will become apparant after you put your gloves on.
3. Motorcycles are to yellow bugs, what aircraft carriers once were to Kamikaze pilots.
4. Quick fixes are named for how long they stay fixed.
5. The only part you really need will also be the only part on permanent backorder.
6. Nothing is harder to start than a used motorcycle being shown to a prospective buyer.
7. You will never suffer a punctured tyre on the road until you leave the repair kit at home.
8. "Universal" accessories are so named because that is where you must search to find the bike they fit.

Be Smart, Ride Safe



Harley Davidson - the early years

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 electronically sent out 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' for easy access.

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.



Women's t-shirt
sizes XS - 2XL
\$49.00



Men's t-shirt
sizes S - 2XL
\$49.00



Men's/Women's long Sleeve t-shirt
sizes S- 3XL
\$59.00



Chapter Rocker \$20.00



HOG Patch \$20.00

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All rides depart from Road & Sport Harley Davidson. Departure times are stated on the Runs Calendar, unless specified by email.

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

BAY OF PLENTY RIDES:

All B.O.P rides depart from Caltex, Tauriko at the time

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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For a copy of the monthly meeting minutes, please email your request to: secretary@waikatobophog.co.nz

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