



# Pikes Peak HOG Newsletter

## Chapter #405

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## The Director's Chair

FEBRUARY 2012

We had a great turnout for our first meeting for 2012. It was easy to get to know one another, since everyone was elbow to elbow. Everyone handled the crowd; what a great problem to have "overcrowding". It was great to see everyone again, if I didn't get a chance to chat with you, we'll have time during our next meeting or during one of our scheduled events.

Several brave hearts rode in spite of the weather; this tells me that riding season is just around the corner.

This year, our officers are planning additional short rides, dinner rides, poker runs and destination rides. We're still working out details for those additional rides – check out our calendar for all HOG events.

Thank you, Ladies of Harley for donating the Breakfast, its lot of work especially before 9am. You wouldn't know it because Breakfast is served with a smile. ☺What a great bunch of Ladies, so don't forget to drop a couple of bucks in the tip jar. Did you know that the Ladies donated over \$5000 to our community in last year?

If you prefer not to ride alone, all of our Road Captains lead and sweep each ride. Group rides give you a chance to meet other riders and enjoy the scenery. The Head Road Captain Mike "Toto" Macy is the man to contact, he is offering training for the new Road Captains, and he'll also point you in the right direction to get your one time required Experienced Riders Course & CPR class. Road Captains are noticeable with digestive armbands and reflective vests. We are always looking for Road Captains, contact either Toto or Gushog for further details.

If anyone has any ideas, suggestions, comments, or criticisms contact any HOG officer. This is your HOG Chapter, and we're working (volunteering) for you! We want this Chapter to be all about companionship, riding and having fun.



### ~Bikers on Wheels~

**Date: February 26th**

**Time: 4 pm to 8pm**

**Location: Skate City at Academy and constitution**

HOG and LOH would love to invite all member's and family members to come out for a night of fun! What else could be more fun than seeing bikers on roller skates! It starts at 4 pm till 8 pm. Cost is \$6 which includes skate rentals and a free slice of pizza after 6 pm! To add to the fun we will be celebrating Micha's Birthday!! Please let us know how many will be coming so we can get a good head count please come out and join the fun~

Thank you: Janise

### TRIVIA Question:

**In July 2001, Harley Davidson released the V-Rod (VRSCA).**

**What type of engine does this motorcycle have?**

**The answer is on the last page.**

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## **February Events**

**11 February 2012 - New Owner's Clinic at 11 am**

**12 February 2012 - Boot Camp 5-8 pm**

**17, 18 and 20 February 2012 - President's Weekend Event**

**29 February 2012 - Leap Day Event**



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# Assistant HOG Director



Pete Peters a.k.a. 'PISTOL

I bought my first Harley in 2008, the 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary addition Streetglide. At the end of 2009 I purchased my second Harley, a 2006 custom Fatboy; called Baditude. Both have been hopped up and I ride them like I stole them. I've been a member of HOG since 2008. I've been riding motorcycles, both dirt and street for more than 30 years. This past year I became a Road Captain and now the position of Asst Director. I'm very honored to hold both of these positions, and I will do my utmost to make sure this chapter continues in the right direction with its activities and membership growth.

I've been very fortunate to do a lot of riding over the past few years to various rallies. Including Sturgis, Red River, Red Lodge as well as State and National HOG rallies. I hope to continue that trend in the up and coming years; good Lord willing and the creek don't rise. I have a great group of friends within the Pikes Peak HOG chapter to ride with and am very thankful for all their support.

It's true when they say "Ride to live, live to ride".

## New Members – January 2012



# Ladies of Harley

Hello HOG Members,

The Leather or Lace Biker's Ball is right around the corner. Don't forget to purchase your tickets at the Saturday Meet N Greets from 9:30 am to 2 pm, HOG/LOH Meetings and at the Motor Clothes department at the Pikes Peak Harley-Davidson store. The event will have a DJ, hors d'ouvers, dancing and lots of fun. Be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, 11 February at the American Legion, 6685 Southmoor Dr., Fountain, CO 80917. Bring your family and friends. This is an adult only event.

We held our first HOG Bowling Event on 21 January. We had over 50 HOG members, family and friends attend. It was a lot of fun with a lot of smiling faces, interesting ball throwing techniques, great scores and some gutter balls. I'd like to thank Classic 300 Lanes for hosting us.



Our next Ladies of Harley meeting is on 7 February at 6:30 pm at TGI Fridays, located at I-25 & Woodmen. Bring your guy to socialize with other guys or bring a new member or friend to check us out. We have a great 2012 ahead of us!

Cindy Sabo  
Director of Ladies of Harley

# Black Sheep



<http://www.blacksheepdfc.org>

## About Black Sheep

Black Sheep Harley-Davidsons for Christ is more than just a motorcycle club. It's a motorcycle ministry of men and women that ride for Jesus and who enjoy Leather, Chrome and Motorcyclist. The ministry exists "To introduce Jesus Christ to the world of motorcycle riders, specifically H.O.G. members, most Black Sheep members belong to a local H.O.G. Chapter. Black Sheep help and serve H.O.G. and H.O.G. members and chapters all across the country."

Want to know how to enjoy being a Christian and still enjoy Chrome, Leather and Motorcycles?

Want to have your motorcycle prayed over and blessed?

Ask any Black Sheep member at the next Pikes Peak HOG meeting or PPHOG event.

Want to attend a Black Sheep monthly meeting? They are open to the public.

General Membership Meetings are 2nd Wednesday of the month at @ 6:30 pm.

3 Margaritas Mexican Restaurant

3956 N. Academy Blvd. Southwest corner of Academy & Austin Bluffs.

Guest and Visitors are welcome.

Visit our National web site, find a chapter near you.

<http://www.blacksheepdfc.org>

# Treasurer

Hey Everyone!!

2012 has started off with a boom for our HOG group. We have welcomed a lot of new members to our HOG family last month.☺ This means new faces, new ideas and a lot of new friends. Please seek out our new members and make them feel welcome!!

We are busy setting up our officers for HOT training, which will be this April in San Diego. It is a great opportunity for our officers to get some training and to gather some new ideas for our club. All I can tell you about HOT training last year was WOW!!!! It was such a motivational and moving experience for me. Micha and I came back with a ton of new ideas, and met a lot of awesome fellow HOG members from all over the USA!!! I can't wait for April; it should be another amazing experience!! In the meantime, whenever the sun is shining all I got to say is RIDE, RIDE, RIDE!!!

Nancy Kelsey  
Treasurer ☺

# Safety Officer

Let's agree on this one right away, I don't want to talk about it, neither do you. But the harsh reality is accidents can and do happen. When a rider goes down a bad situation can get worse quickly at the scene, the hospital and in a courtroom if you don't prepare ahead of time. What's the five P's? Prior Planning Prevents Poor Performance. I gleaned this information from a variety of legal, medical and rider safety professional sources to help us be better prepared in case of an accident:

- \* Carry a cell phone when you ride, if possible. If you don't have one, ask who in the group has one and where on the bike it is kept.
- \* Carry legible ID and keep it current. If you've moved since your driver's license was issued, you can get a ticket for failing to update it -- as well as cause confusion about such basics as "where does she live?" Check or sign the organ donor box on it, if you would want to donate in a worst-case scenario.
- \* Carry a list of medications you take routinely and keep it current. List allergies or medical conditions that EMS techs/doctors need to know about to treat you.
- \* Carry a list of persons to contact and their current telephone numbers, including area codes. If those living with you are likely to be hard to reach, or you live alone, friends who ride with you should be able to figure out easily who to call from information on your bike or your person. (Even if they can gain access to your home by taking your keys from the scene, it doesn't mean they can find your address book)
- \* Have a durable Power of Attorney prepared appointing someone close to you to be in charge of your business and legal affairs, in writing. "Durable" means the person designated can act for you even if you could not act for yourself (i.e., if you were unconscious, or sedated for a long time). This is not a "form" document that you can buy, but it is usually inexpensive to have it prepared. "Close" means living in your area as well as close by relationship: if someone is making decisions critical to your well-being, he or she will be better informed after talking to your doctors face to face, if possible.
- \* If you have given someone verbal authority to act for you in an emergency, do not leave written authority appointing someone else. Revoke conflicting Powers of Attorney and have a correct one prepared. Then tell someone who rides with you whom you designated! If you don't want to discuss this every time you go out, put a copy of the durable Power of Attorney with the list of phone numbers on your bike, or leave it with someone who is on that list of persons to notify in case of an accident.

If you're riding with someone who goes down and are helping at an accident scene, get the name of the investigating officer in charge and find out where the vehicles are going and where the accident report will be. Take photos if you can. Retrieve the rider's ID, insurance card and personal items from the bike and protect them. Find the lists of phone numbers and medications as soon as possible.

Paul Macek  
Safety Officer

# HOG History

A little Harley Owners Group (HOG) history to lay the groundwork for my story. The Harley Owners Group was created in 1983 by Harley-Davidson as way to build longer-lasting and stronger relationships with Harley-Davidson's customers, by making ties between the company, its employees, and consumers. For the Harley riders, it was in response to a growing desire for an organized way to share their passion and show their pride.

Each Harley-Davidson dealership has the opportunity to sponsor a local HOG Chapter. Some do, and some do not.

## PPHOG Chapter history...

I'm still trying to gather the facts about our chapter's history, but what I found out so far is this, we still have some of our founding members in our chapter today. I discovered this when I recently took the position as PPHOG Secretary. I noticed a small group of people who had a special code on the spreadsheet. I have to say this intrigued me. "Who are these people?" I wondered. I began calling this "special" group to verify their address, phone, and ask for email addresses. While I had them on the phone, I began to ask them how they received the coding of "Lifetime" chapter members. As I contacted the different Lifetime members, I started getting really excited; to me it was like finding rare coins in my pocket. The first Historian, the Director who applied to have the chapter chartered, first LOH Officer, and the owners before Sonny and Herb. Here we have these founding members amongst us and I didn't have a clue. As I learn more about this story, I'll share it with you.

Right now it is still a bit vague but only because I haven't had enough time to really talk to them and get their perspective. The story may alter a little and hopefully grow a lot. What I know is there were 13 founding members. This group came together around 1983-85 because they liked to ride. They would meet at a place called the "Trolley Car" and decide where to ride from there. They talked about organizing several times and finally agreed as a group to become "official". First step was to ask if the Pikes Peak Harley-Davidson dealership would sponsor them, which of course they did. Once that was approved, they had to apply to be chartered by National HOG.

I'm still investigating several sources, one being National HOG. I have requested a copy of the original charter so we can get the information on the official charter date and who the charter officers were. It would be great to post it in our meeting room...with some other related items I'm working on.

Anyway, some of the founders have agreed to come to the meeting on February 4th and some have also agreed to let me interview them for articles in our newsletter. I will try to introduce you to these founding members each month and hopefully share their role in developing the foundation of our current chapter. I just pray I can do them justice and keep all of you interested in...OK, I have to say it...the rest of the story.

Barb Schmitt Barb Schmitt  
PPHOG 405 Secretary

# Old School Motorcycle Show

The 22nd annual OLD SCHOOL Motorcycle Show returns to Colorado Springs!!

With the coming of the New Year, there is much excitement surrounding the return of the **Super Show and Swap Meet** in Colorado Springs will take place **March 17th & 18th**.

This awesome event is one of the largest indoor Motorcycling events in the Southwestern US. In 2012, the Super Show celebrates it's 22nd anniversary.

Pro Promotions recently announced that a brand new location has been secured for the annual event. "We have a great location in Colorado Springs called **Freedom Expo Center**" said Jim Wear of Pro Promotions. "This is a brand new facility and is without a doubt the premier location for shows of this type in Southern Colorado." Wear added "This is the BEST building we have had yet for an indoor Motorcycle Show."

The Expo is located on North Nevada Avenue – between Fillmore st. and Garden of the Gods Road just 1 mile east of I-25

The 2011 Super Show is being billed as an "**Old School**" motorcycle show and swap meet. The organizers have opted to once again return to the "motorcycle only" event of the past.

“Before we ever brought in the automobile segment, the Super Show was an old fashioned biker event. We love the street-rods, but this venue is ideal for a return to our roots,” said Wear. “The bike community is our stronghold, and we know that they are really going to enjoy this years swap meet.”

Attendees can expect most of the same features at this years event including:

- Vendors  
Live Music from “The Voodoo Hawks”  
Custom and Antique Motorcycle Show  
Great Food & Cold Beer  
Tattoo Competition



Bettie Bicycle

## First Poker Run

### First Poker Run

Before every Poker/Fun Run in which I participate, I think back to when I first joined HOG and learned that in a couple of weeks was the Easter Egg Run. My wife and I were so excited to ride with other people even though we didn't really know anyone in the club. We decided that we would show up for the Easter Egg Run, ride somewhere and have fun, even if we didn't know what to expect. Luckily for us, one of the officers at the meeting, John, showed the club a group riding video in anticipation of the riding season.

On the day of the ride we arrived at the starting point, Pikes Peak HD. We signed in and paid our fee, not sure why we needed to pay, but just because that was on the flyer. We were then given an envelope and a map that showed a route around the city as well as turn by turn directions. The ladies that were at the registration table asked if we were riding with anyone and we said that we weren't. When we asked what to do until the bikes were to leave, the suggestion was to mingle and get to know other people. Even though I am a social person, this was a little difficult because it seemed that everyone knew each other and were gathering in groups for the ride. So, my wife and I decided that we would ride by ourselves and have fun being together.

We were still looking around the dealership when the first bikes started to take off for the run. We went outside and decided we should get ready to go when John introduced himself. He had recognised us as new members from the recent meeting and asked if we were riding with a group. We told him that we weren't, so he asked if we would like to ride with other members. When we told him yes, he quickly introduced us to the sweep group and got ready to ride.

We rode as the second to last bike in the group until we stopped at a park. There were other HOG members there running the stop. They had scattered Easter Eggs near them and the riders were to pick one, open it, and report the number listed inside to one of the people working the stop. The volunteers used a hole punch to mark the corresponding number on the envelope we received at

registration. We learned that the sealed envelope contained a card that had all the cards of a poker deck represented. This is how our poker hand was being chosen. (In other rides you can draw an actual poker card out of a bag and see how your hand builds.)

Over the next couple hours we made four other stops at parks where we got to choose Easter Eggs to build our five card poker hand. When one of us drew a number that had already been punched, we were told to go and find another Egg. Riding with a group was fun because we got to know the other riders at each of the stops. We also learned that since we were the sweep group we had to wait until the stop was closed before moving on. Closing a stop meant that all the riders should have passed though and received their poker card. The people working the stop would then join the sweep group so they could also play along and enjoy the ride.

Our sixth stop was the end of the ride and where we turned in the envelopes. We didn't even need to know how to play poker because there were people running this stop that opened the envelopes and ranked the hands. Prizes were given out for the top couple hands, as well as the worst one. This is where much of the money from the registration went, back to the riders! We learned the rest of the money goes to help operate the club as well as to support charities.

In addition to the winning hands, there were raffle tickets sold and prizes given out from the drawings. People ate, drank, and had a good time as they mingled. My wife and I decided that this was a fun way to spend a weekend afternoon. Several of the people we met in our riding group that day have become good friends to us as we started to ride with them on future poker runs.

I hope that all of you join in for a poker run, they are a great way to meet new friends and riding companions. I even encourage all of you to work some stops during poker runs this summer because you not only get to ride the run, but you have a chance to meet everyone as they stop by to get their card from you.

Rob Giacolono  
Activities Officer

## HOG-lish...Uh, you said what?

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If you are new to the motorcycle community you may hear some words or terms tossed around that...ok you haven't really heard before. We don't always speak English in the biker community so I've pulled in some of the more common things (HOG-lish if you will) that you may hear around a Harley Shop or in the biker community. I tried to keep it clean...trust me there are lots more slang terms out there. I've included my sources in case you decide to look up other terms.

1. <http://www.totalmotorcycle.com/dictionary/motorcycle-dictionary-index.htm>
2. [http://www.motorcyclegiftshop.com/motorcycle\\_slang\\_a-g.html](http://www.motorcyclegiftshop.com/motorcycle_slang_a-g.html)

**Apes or Ape Hangers** - 1. Handlebars that are very high, and which often raise the rider's hands above his or her shoulders. High handlebars so Biker's hands are at or above their shoulder height.. Refers to a handlebar style where the handgrips are located at a higher position, so as to enable the rider's arms to "hang" Picture "Clyde" from "Every Which Way but Loose" and you'll get a perfect understanding of the riding position. 2. Very high handlebars. Usually found on choppers. 3. A term coined at the height of the custom-bike movement to describe tall handlebars that forced the rider to reach skyward to grasp the controls, making the rider adopt an ape-like posture.

**Sweep** - The last rider in a group ride. Customarily, the most experienced motorcycle rider. Also known as tail gunner.

**Bagger** - A motorcycle equipped with saddlebags and other touring amenities.

**Bar Hopper Bike** - The cool customs and pristine bikes that only come out of the garage Friday and Saturday nights during the summer (and only if it's real nice out -never in rain) to prowl from bar to bar. A motorcycle that is not very comfortable on longer

rides, yet lavishly styled. Rigid frames and hard tails fall into this category

**Biker Friendly** - A business establishment that doesn't treat you like you have the plague when you walk in wearing' leather

**Bump start** - A way to start a motorcycle by turning on the ignition, placing it in gear, disengaging the clutch, then running alongside the motorcycle, jumping on and engaging the clutch suddenly. Hard on the drive train and clutch but will start a bike with a dead battery when no one is around to provide a "jump".

**Burnout** - 1. Spinning the rear wheel while holding the front brake causing the bike to stay in one place. 2. Rider applies the front brake and quickly accelerates causing the rear wheel to lose traction and spin so that the tire rubber overheats and begins to smoke and disintegrate.

**Colors/Colours** - Signifies a motorcycle club or organization patch.

**Crotch Rocket** - 1. A slang term for Sport Bikes. 2. A small sport bike with big HP engine. 3. Small, fast motorcycle.

**Dresser** - A motorcycle set up for long distance touring.

**Flying Colors** - Riding while wearing the club/organization's colors

**Iron Butt (Rally)** - An entire association was created called the Iron Butt Association -- 1000 miles in 24 hours yields a Saddle Sore 1000 - Bun Burner is 1500 in 36 hours, Bun Burner Gold is 1500 in 24 hours. The Iron Butt Gold Is 10 days x 1000 miles each day - consecutive. The challenge for this award is run every other year.

**Mystery Tour** - A motorcycle social and travel event in which participants stop at checkpoints to unravel a clue and solve the mystery of where the tour goes

**Poker Run** - A poker run is, for the most part, like any old motorcycle run. Instead of just riding from Point A to Point B, however, there are also several stops in between (usually 5 total). At these stops you go in to the checkpoint and draw a playing card from a deck of cards. Depending on the rules, you either keep the card or the person at the checkpoint will mark down what card you drew. You do this at each checkpoint, and by the end of the run you will have 5 cards ... this makes up your poker hand. At the last stop you turn in your poker hand, and whoever has the best hand wins.

**Road Captain** - The leader of a group during a Ride.

**Road Rash** - An abrasion that results from sliding along the ground after a motorcycle crash. Wearing proper gear can limit road rash but may not prevent it entirely.

**Scoot** - Slang term for a motorcycle.

**Sissy Bar** - 1. Passenger Backrest. 2. The backrest put behind the passenger's portion of the saddle.

**Suicide Shift** - Older motorcycles had a rocker clutch (foot operated) and the gears were shifted with a lever mounted directly on the transmission. The term "suicide shift" was coined because the rider has to take a hand off the handlebars in order to change gears, which meant less control of the motorcycle and danger - especially over rough roads.

**Tar Snake** - The material used to patch cracks in the asphalt have less traction than the original pavement and can be slippery. This material also has a lower melting point and will get soft or melt on hot days - this can be potentially hazardous.

**Three Patch** - A three-piece patch normally signifies that the club is a Traditional Motorcycle Club (MC). These are worn with the top rocker showing the club name, the middle showing the club's patch and the bottom showing their territory location.

**Twin** - An engine configuration comprising of 2 cylinders.

**Twisties** - Section of road with a lot of turns.

**Two second rule** - This is the minimum spacing in seconds between moving motorcycles. While in formation, maintain a 2-second interval from the rider in front of you. It is measured by counting "one-thousand one, one-thousand two" as you see the rider front of you pass a sign or landmark. Stop counting when you pass the same marker. Under poor weather conditions, maintain longer intervals consistent with safety.

**Two Stroke - Two Stroke Engine** - 1. Mechanically simple, light and powerful, two stroke engines combine the exhaust and intake strokes, making every other stroke a power stroke. 2. An engine (also called a stroker) who's power cycle consists of just two movements, or strokes: The piston moves down, drawing in the fuel air charge, and then up, combusting the charge. Unfortunately two stroke engines typically produce much more pollution than a four stroke design.

**Two Up** - A term for carrying a passenger on your motorcycle.

You may also see signs going into bars or restaurants saying "No Colors". This means the motorcycle club members cannot wear their gear displaying their club affiliation inside the business. Cuts down on brawls I guess. :-)

Barb Schmitt  
PPHOG 405 Secretary

# Membership Dues

Membership Expiration- January / February/ March

We do still have some December expiration dates out there. You know who you are because I sent you an email. Please see me, if there are any issues with the dates.

January 2012		February 2012		March 2012	
CROOK	JEANNE	CAUDLE	SONJA	ARNOLD	DANIEL
CROOK	KEVIN D	KASPER	BILL	BAIRD	MARCUS
DOWLING	KEVIN	MEEK	DARIN W.	HAMMER	MICHAEL
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GRAY	WALTER F	KNOPP	GARY	LUCY	FRANK
KELLY	TOM			MAHER	JOSEPH
WHEELAND	DOUG			STURGEON	JIM (FEDRICK)
				SZABO	IMRE (JIM)
				TOLKA	ROSINA
				TOLKA	TERRY



# Juana's Poker Stop



## Mountain Shadow Riders

There is a local motorcycle club with fun (and unmistakable) members that many of our HOG and LOH family know quite well. They are the Mountain Shadow Riders, the local chapter of Women on Wheels. Their goal is to unite all women motorcycle enthusiasts for recreation, education, mutual support, recognition, and to promote a positive image of motorcycling. The club is mainly composed of ladies, but the entire family can join as membership is available for guys who want to join as support members as well as membership for children. Many of you know these ladies and recognize their motorcycles; after all, some are HOG and LOH members as well as regular participants in our poker runs. They are also the organizers of the Annual Save the Twins Breast Cancer Awareness Ride on the first Saturday of every October.

I recently had the opportunity to interview the director of the club, Roberta Ripperger, and learned more about this dedicated group who raised \$22,500 for Breast Cancer Research in October 2011.

**Juana:** How long have the Mountain Shadow Riders been in Colorado Springs?

**Roberta:** The Mountain Shadow Riders were established as the Colorado Springs Chapter of Women on Wheels in the late 1990's.

**Juana:** How many members do you currently have?

**Roberta:** We currently have 107 total members: 72 full (women riders), 30 support and 5 children.

**Juana:** It is interesting that you have membership options for children. Could you elaborate on what that involves and how much the children enjoy it?

**Roberta:** Membership for children involves a full member applying to National for the child at a cost of \$10/year. As with full and support memberships, there are no chapter dues. We have such a good time in everything we do that the kids pick up on that and really enjoy joining family dinner nights, highway clean-ups, group rides, etc...

**Juana:** The Mountain Shadow Riders are well known for the Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Ride. What are some of the other riding activities that the group is involved in?

**Roberta:** Our national group, Women On Wheels, sponsors a mileage contest every year from April 1st to Oct 31st. Every chapter is encouraged to sign up as many members as possible, yearly, and rack up as many miles as they can during that time. During the same time, as a chapter, we hold a similar Mileage Contest as well as a Ride Contest. The Ride Contest is different each year and we have a lot of fun battling it out to see who will take first. Also, we are so encouraged by the support we receive from other groups regarding our BCA run, that we try to support their rides as well. For example, we have members who regularly attend the HOG 5-in-1, TCRAS HAWGS for Hounds and the Touring Club ride to benefit Search and Rescue. We also ride together as much as possible after monthly meetings and outside scheduled events.

**Juana:** Speaking of the Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Ride, congratulations on such a successful ride in 2011! Is there anything you would like to say to our readers regarding the ride?

**Roberta:** We've had such incredible support from local business and individuals who donate raffle and silent auction items, as well as all the riders who support this cause by coming out to enjoy the day with us, no matter the weather. I think it's important to note that all proceeds from this ride benefit the local chapter of Susan G. Komen for the Cure, which means that all monies collected stay here to help people in El Paso, Pueblo and Teller Counties.

**Juana:** I have recently joined the Mountain Shadow Riders and from what I have seen so far, this is a great group of people dedicated not just to riding, but to helping their community. What community work are the Mountain Shadow Riders involved in?

**Roberta:** A number of years ago, MSR 'adopted' the Laurel Manor Nursing Home. In essence, a volunteer group of our members will, each summer, host a Luau for the residents and in December throw a Christmas party including food, crafts and gifts. We are also part of the CO Highway Clean-up. MSR sponsors a 1 mile stretch of Highway 115, and twice a year a group of volunteers go and pick up trash along both sides of that area. Also, to promote community within our group, every fourth Thursday of the month we have Family Dinner Night. Members who are interested can meet at a pre-chosen restaurant to relax and enjoy an evening with friends.

**Juana:** Wow, that is fantastic! Is there anything else you would like folks to know about Women on Wheels and the Mountain Shadow Riders?

**Roberta:** WOW is an international group with chapters all over the United States and Europe. Any woman interested in attending a chapter meeting is encouraged to do so; all we ask is that you make a decision on joining after attending your 3rd meeting. MSR does not have monthly dues - to be a member of MSR you need only join WOW and pay the national membership fee of \$40/year. Support and child members need to be sponsored by a full member. We are a diverse and fun-loving group of women riders. Come join the fun!

A dedicated group of motorcycle enthusiasts that love riding and helping others, they are very much like our own HOG and LOH family. If you are interested in joining the Mountain Shadow Riders, you can go to their website [www.mountainshadowriders.com](http://www.mountainshadowriders.com) or attend one of their meetings held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at the Pikes Peak Harley Davidson dealership on the second floor.

This article was written by Juana G Giacolono, Assistant Director of Pikes Peak Ladies of Harley.

## Bikers For Kids



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#### **Our Mission Statement**

Bikers For Kids is a non-profit organization of bikers whose primary purpose is to support and mentor abused and at risk children and youth. We exist as a body of bikers ready to lend a helping hand and a willing heart to our battered friends by giving of our physical, emotional and spiritual strength to support these children in an established, united organization. We partner with local enforcement and existing child advocate organizations whose primary objectives are to protect and rehabilitate the children and youth of our community. We stand at the ready to shield these children from further injustices by helping to make a lasting impact on their lives so that as a member of our family, they are empowered to become a positive, contributing member of their community.

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# Head Road Captain

It's another riding season already. With the great weather, a lot of bikes are out and about. Our first ride is not until March but we are already planning the rides. We are looking at a great year with a great group of people. The road captains are ready to do their part to make each and every ride fun and successful. Come join us.

Have fun be safe

Toto

Head Road Captain

# Networking Center



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# Riding Motorcycle's in the Winter

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Just because it's winter doesn't mean you cannot ride your motorcycle, unless you're living in an area that sees permanent deep frost and deep snow. And even then, depending on your motorcycle, you can still ride, but in this case you'll need to change the rear tire for a snow track system (like those on tanks), and the front wheel will get some skis.

But if you live in an area where it is cold, rainy and sometimes some snow, you can still ride, but you'll need to take some precautions.

### Trap Heat

The most important factor for riding in the cold is that you need to trap your body heat. Heat tends to dissipate into the cold, and it is difficult to stoke the fire inside your body to replace the lost heat. So the best way is to insulate your body from heat loss.

In the old days, people would wrap old newspapers against their body to trap the heat. Nowadays you will not need to worry about newspaper ink rubbing against your skin, giving you who-knows-what-kind-of-sickness. A microfiber layer against your skin is the first defense layer against the cold. A microfiber T-shirt is great, better yet a long-john made out of microfiber. If you don't have microfiber, get a good cotton one. A one-piece is better than two, but having one is better than none.

**TIP:** You need to put on the first layer, the microfiber, when you are warm, not outside in the cold. In that case, all you will be doing is trapping the cold temperature, so defeating the idea of keeping warm. Put on the microfiber when you are warm!

Next you can put on layers of woolen sweaters or cotton or silk shirts. Don't put on too much, or you may not be able to operate your motorcycle properly. Alternatively, you can get a heated vest. Plug it into your 12V system, and you'll be as snug as a bug in a rug.

The final layer, your jacket, needs to be totally windproof; leather or nylon will do the trick, and ideally it should be a one-piece suit. If you don't have a one-piece suit, get one that can be zipped between the pants and jacket. This way, less heat will escape.

### Extremities

Your body extremities will see the fastest heat loss. Feet, hands and very important, your head, will lose heat very fast. It's important to keep them warm.

**Hands:** Make sure your gloves are the gauntlet type, i.e., fit over your jacket sleeve. This way, no cold air can come in or out via the top. You might also want to get some silk gloves to wear inside your normal gloves, since they keep the fingers warm & dry. Remember that your hands & fingers are exposed to a very cold air when riding. It's the reason many all-year riders have heated handlebars, or heated gloves.

**TIP:** If heated handlebars or gloves are too expensive, consider chemical heat packs.

**Feet:** Your feet will not be moving much on the motorcycle so they will tend to get cold quickly, but they have a source of natural heating; your motorcycle's engine (unless you are riding a sports motorcycle).

But you will still need to wear warm socks, preferably with silk under-socks. Make sure your boots are rainproof and do not let wind in (and therefore hot air out). In the worst-case scenario, get rain boot covers.

**Head:** Your head, believe or not, is very important. A head, and therefore brain that is exposed for long periods of time to cold temperatures will not function properly. You will start to loose concentration, and make judgment mistakes; your reaction time will diminish dramatically. At the very least, wear a balaclava, preferably with a silk hood underneath it. An advantage of a balaclava, one that goes up to your nose, is that it will prevent your visor from fogging up, something, no matter how good your visor, will happen in the winter.

Since you will find that cold air will enter your back, get a proper neck warmer that covers your neck, chest and shoulder.

# February 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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		<a href="#"><u>Ladies Of Harley Meeting</u></a>					<a href="#"><u>Leather and Lace Ball - FLYER attached.</u></a>
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		<a href="#"><u>Road Captain's Meeting</u></a>					

Link to the Pikes Peak HOG Calendar:  
<http://www.my.calendars.net/pikespeakhog/>

# HOG Meeting

**Next Meeting 9:00 am**

04 February 2012, Pikes Peak Harley Davidson Dealership

Have a January Birthday? Show up at the meeting to be entered into the Birthday drawing!!!

## Upcoming Events - Flyers



### Leather or Lace Bikers Ball

11 February 2012  
at  
American Legion

6685 Southmoor Dr., Fountain, CO 80817

Cocktail hour: 6:30pm  
Hors d'oeuvres: 7:00pm

The new 2012 King and Queen will be crowned  
Music, Fun and Raffle Prizes

Get your tickets early  
\$25 couple/\$15 single before 4 February  
after 4 Feb \$30 couple/\$20 single

Tickets are on sale at the dealership in the motor clothes  
department  
and at HOG/LOH meetings and Meet N Greet

If you have any questions, call Cindy Sabo at 562-472-4200 or  
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### March Madness Fun Run

Starting at

**Pikes Peak Harley Davidson**

5867 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80918

**Saturday, March 31, 2012**

\$10 per Rider

\$5 per Passenger

\$5 per Extra Hand

**Open to  
Riders of  
All Bikes!**

Registration: 10:00am  
Kickstands Up: 10:30am  
Last Bike Out: 11:30am

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#### Answer:

Liquid - cooled engine! This bike was released on July 13, 2001. It was the first ever water-cooled engine. This motorcycle weighs in at 595.7 lbs, has electronic sequential port fuel injection and holds 3.7 gallons of fuel.

This bike is truly remarkable.