



The Missive

March
2011

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Events March - June 2011

17th April Charity Egg Run

Visiting Nightingale House Hospice, Wrexham and Save the Family Refuge

7th May – Harley World Birthday Bash / Open Day

Chesterfield. www.harleyworldchesterfield.co.uk

7th & 8th May ‘Thundersprint’ – Northwich

www.thundersprint.com/latest_news.html

Clyde Valley’s ‘THE GATHERING’

3-6 June at Drimsynie Estate, Lochgoilhead, in the heart of Loch Lomond National Park. - **Register before 31 March** for £25 per person and get free t-shirt and pin

www.clydevalleyhog.net

25th June – Aire Valley Druid Run – Lowestoft to Southport.

Calling in at Newmarket, Nottingham, Chesterfield, Stockport and Chester HD.

To raise money for your local Air Ambulance.

Suggested that Deva Join the run at Harleyworld Chesterfield and complete the run to support them.

If there are any events that you would like to attend, or if you have any ideas for new events please email events@devalegionhog.co.uk

or call 07976310527.

Thanks - Dawn

Extreme Screams - a reminder!

Friday 27th & Sat 28th May at the Giler Arms, Pentrefoelas

Giler Arms Tel No: 01690 770612

People need to get accommodation booked as there is a party of side car enthusiasts booking the same date

Thanks - Mark

Meeting Dates & Other Announcements

Monthly Chapter Meetings: April 7th; May 5th; June 2nd

Chester Rugby Club @ 20.00

Committee meetings: March 10th; April 14th; May 12th; June 9th

All committee meetings are held at Chester Rugby Club.

All chapter members are entitled to attend committee meetings.

Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes of committee meeting held at Chester Rugby Club on Thursday 10.02.11

The meeting commenced at 20.00.

Present: Jon Twigg; George Day; Richard Nott; Keith Woodward; David Williams; Ken Crosbie; Dawn & Matt Simcoe; Ade Nicholson.

Apologies for absence: Jay Johnson, Mike & Jackie Buchan; Mark Wells; Gaynor Wells; Lil Day

Item 1. New Officers. Changes to chapter officers will be submitted to Chester HD then to HOG for approval. Dawn Simcoe is to take over from George as Activities Officer, subject to approval at the March chapter meeting.

Item 2. Finances. New mandate forms (for the new 'cheque signatories') have been received from the bank for the new signatories to sign! Richard to ensure all relevant signatories have signed, and to return mandate forms to bank.

Item 3. Web details. The chapter officer details have been updated. It was suggested that the section about regular midweek meetings at the Rake should be removed – Keith agreed to remove the section. Payment has been made to 123-Reg for the annual fee for website hosting, and the new bank details have also been given to 123-reg. Ade agreed to provide pdf versions of all forms and flyers to George.

Item 4. Deva Despatches & Missive. Copies of all chapter newsletters should be sent to Marjorie Wray. David Williams agreed to provide pdf versions of Despatches and Missive to Jon for distribution to Marj and to other chapters.

Item 5. Ride-out calendar. Mark Wells has sent a copy to David Williams for inclusion in the March Despatches. David Williams agreed to circulate the ride-out calendar as received from Mark to all committee members.

Item 6. Chapter Hotline. Ade will send the details of the chapter hotline to Mark Wells, so that Mark can continue to maintain the hotline.

Item 7. Egg Run. Sunday April 17th. The plan is to follow the usual pattern – Lightfoot Lodge in the morning, followed by Plas Bellin in the afternoon. Concern was raised as to whether Lightfoot Lodge is still open! George and Dawn agreed to check Lightfoot Lodge. It was agreed that, if Lightfoot Lodge is no longer open, Dawn would examine the possibility of going to Nightingale House Hospice in Wreccsam instead.

Item 8. Charity Ride. July 24th. The ride will start at the Ponderosa, and follow a circular route back to the Ponderosa. Camping is available for the Saturday night at the Valle Crucis Campsite at the bottom of the Horseshoe Pass. There was some discussion over the possibility of providing free tea / coffee / food (eg hog roast).

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It was agreed that there is no need to provide a hog roast or other food because The Ponderosa is adequate. It was agreed that the £10 registration fee would include 1 free tea / coffee. Dawn agreed to liaise with the Ponderosa to make the necessary arrangements (probably via a 'raffle ticket' system, whereby each registrant will receive a raffle ticket that will confer entitlement to 1 free tea or coffee on the day).

Item 9. Merchandise catalogue. Jackie has the catalogues. All chapter-specific merchandise must be ordered either by Kirk or Jon, with all other chapter merchandise being ordered by Jackie. There is a new supplier: Norscot – an alternative to MID. Ade suggested inviting Norscot to a chapter meeting.

Item 10. Harley Exhibition. There will be a Harley-Davidson exhibition from April 14th for 6 weeks at the Manchester Museum of Science and Technology. There will be a parade, with 1 member from each UK chapter to fly the chapter flag. There will be a facility to visit the exhibition as a group – at a discounted entry price! Jon is to get further details.

Item 11 - AOB.

1. Kenny raised the need for a new Father Christmas outfit before the next toy run, as the current one is damaged! Committee agreed to purchase a new outfit in time for the December toy run!
2. Finances: Club funds > £6k; Christmas party cost £2130.
3. Use of club funds for members. It was agreed that simply reducing the membership fee would be difficult to manage, with a general preference expressed for greater subsidy of club events to encourage greater participation. There were a number of suggestions: a camping weekend at Fenlanders' site in Norfolk (29 / 31 July is a possibility), or at a site in Cheshire; subsidised trip to the NEC bike show in November; trip to the ACE Café event at August Bank Holiday. Dawn agreed to investigate these possibilities and gauge interest at the next chapter meetings.

Item 12 - Rally

- Pins have been ordered already by Ade – at a cost of £1.50 each.
- Contents of the rally 'goody bags' to be agreed at the next meeting.
- Wristbands. There are enough left over from last year. George to check, and order more if required.
- Traders / trade stalls. There has been no response yet from those traders offered space. Ade agreed to contact them again. George agreed to arrange a 'Big Bike Jumble' as in previous years.
- The bands and disco have all been booked. Sian at Chester HD is still trying to arrange for the 'burlesque dancer' to provide a floor show for the Saturday night. The cost of the rally entertainment will be about £1,000.
- The flyer is already on the website and has been sent to all chapter directors by Ade. Jon agreed to send again.
- Food. Mike Buchan has already agreed details with the rugby club. Normal food provision at normal times, with burgers available 'after closing time'.
- Portico. Will be okay for this year – needs to be changed for next year.
- Security rota. Jon agreed to contact Peter Goerner for a copy of the rota form – Keith agreed to print it off.
- There was some discussion about the possibility of reintroducing games in some format. George agreed to check the cost and logistics of 'gladiator game / feudal sticks game'.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 21.27.

David Williams

Ride-out Calendar - April - June 2011

APRIL

SUN 3 RD	BUTCHERS ARMS	MARK WELLS	(120 MILES)
SUN 10 TH	MATLOCK BATH	MIKE BROWN	(140 MILES)
SUN 17 TH	EGG RUN (ALL ROAD CAPTAINS)		
SUN 24 TH	BETWS Y COED	MIKE PARRY	(140 MILES)

MAY

SUN 1 ST	BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND - INFORMAL RIDE		
SUN 8 TH	SNOWDONIA	GRAHAM HEWITT	(180 MILES)
SUN 15 TH	ANGLESEY	JIM HACKETT	(200 MILES)
SUN 22 ND	SPEEDWELL CAVERN	DAVID WILLIAMS	(180 MILES)
27/28 TH	MARK WELLS EXTREME SCREAMS (NOT A RIDE OUT) WALKING/DRINKING WEEKEND		
	(*INFORMAL RIDE-OUT)		
SUN 29 TH	TBA		

JUNE

SUN 5 TH	LUDLOW	DAVE SWIFT	(180 MILES)
SUN 12 TH	NAT MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM	IAN MILLER	(200+ MILES)
SAT 18 TH	CIRCUS MAXIMUS (ALL ROAD CAPTAINS)		
SUN 26 TH	TAL Y LLYN LAKE HOTEL	KEITH DAVIES	(130 MILES)

PLEASE CHECK THE CHAPTER HOTLINE FROM THE MONDAY PRIOR TO EACH RIDE FOR START TIME AND MEETING POINT.

CHAPTER HOTLINE - 07855 207067

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, RIDES MEET AT THE RAKE & PIKEL 9.30 FOR A 10.00 DEPARTURE

* INFORMAL RIDE FOR MEMBERS NOT GOING TO RALLY - MEET AT RAKE & PIKEL.

2011 Road Captains

Mark Wells (Head RC)	Richard Nott	Kitt Walsh
Sherry Gray	David Williams	Jay Johnson
Mike Brown	Jim Hackett	Neil Cobden
Roger Plant	Graham Hewitt	Lewis Carter
Ian Miller	Dave Swift	Keith Davies
Bob Stokes	Mike Parry	