

THE LADIES OF HARLEY NEWSLETTER

A BIT ABOUT US ...



Suz Paterson and Emma Poole are your regional LOH Officers for UK and Ireland.

Emma has been riding for 11 years and to date has ridden over 68000 miles, 13000 were last year. Emma is also Assistant Director for Wolfruna Chapter and has been their LOH officer in the past. International rallies Emma has been to include Senigallia, Budapest, Hamburg Harley Days, Lugano Rally Switzerland, St Tropez Euro Festival. Emma purchased a new white Road Glide CVO ST last year, one of only 6 in the UK. Emma booked this bike in for it's 1000-mile service within the first month of buying.

Suz has been a pillion rider for 12 years. First long road trip experience for Suz was riding all of Route 66 (and a bit of the Pacific Coast Highway) with husband Alan on a self-guided tour in 2014. Suz and Al got married in Las Vegas at the end of that trip, totally unplanned. Suz was a previous LOH in Dunedin Chapter.

International rallies Suz has been to include Budapest, Sturgis, Benelux, St. Tropez Euro Festival.

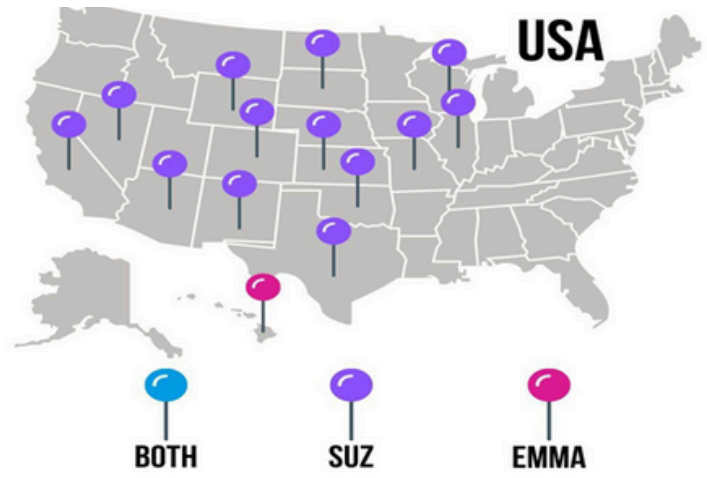
Both ladies are riding to Croatia this year for the 2025 European H.O.G. Rally

Map below of places we have ridden.



COUNTRIES WE'VE RODE A HARLEY DAVIDSON

EUROPE - UNITED KINGDOM, IRELAND, FRANCE, BELIGUM, NETHERLANDS, LUXEMBOURG,GERMANY, DENMARK, NORWAY, SWITZERLAND, ITALY, AUSTRIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, HUNGARY, SLOVENIA



USA -ILLINOIS, MISSOURI, KANSAS, OKLAHOMA, TEXAS, NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA, NEVADA, CALIFORNIA, SOUTH DAKOTA, WYOMING, COLORADO, WISCONSIN, HAWAII



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What have we been up to....



We have set up a successful WhatsApp Group for our LOH Officers and have found this to be a very supportive and friendly group.

As is the LOH Officers Facebook Page. We have all the current LOH officers in these groups.

If you feel we have missed anyone, just get in touch and we will add them too.

LOH & H.O.G. MERCH

When we were at the ROC training last year, we met Emma from HOG Merch and had a chat with her about designing some new LOH t shirts for us to buy. We have been in contact with her again via email and are waiting on her to get back to us with a design idea we shared. We hope to be able to send you all some images and a link to the webpage soon.

Keeping in touch

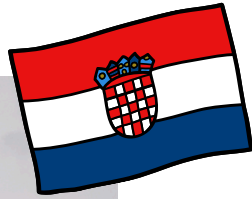
We were hoping to have a face-to-face LOH session in April this year but due to the extensive costs involved we took the decision to postpone this. Will be in touch for next year.

Instead, we hosted an online session for our new LOH Officers, and plan to have one for all LOH officers on May 20th at 7pm. Invites have been sent.

Just a reminder, we are also here for anyone who feels they would like a Teams meeting with us to discuss all things LOH.



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Emma went to Croatia.....



Emma attended the Directors EMEA meeting in Pula, Croatia ahead of the H.O.G. European Rally in June. The purpose of this meeting was for networking and for as many chapters as possible to meet up before the rally.

Everyone was able to visit the rally site prior to it being set up. Emma reports that our CEL, Vicki Green, did a fantastic job at the meeting, with Chapters from all over EMEA being really impressed by her. How lucky are we to have her? 😊

Emma really enjoyed speaking with other directors across Europe, asking about their rallies and making new friends, clocking up 2500 miles in 4 and a half days of riding covering 9 countries. Munich temperature was -5 but her heated jacket helped. Celebrating her 30th Birthday riding home after having 3 birthday cakes the day before 🎂. What a legend our Emma is. 🙌👏



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SHOWTIME

Meet our new LOH Officers

Hogsback Chapter LOH – Vicki de Carteret

"I'm Vicki, the new Ladies of Harley Officer for Hogsback Chapter. I've been a member of the Chapter for 4 years, riding pillion with my husband Chris. I'm really excited to be part of this amazing group of women across the UK and looking forward to sharing ideas and supporting one another.

A little interesting fact about me... I can usually be found singing show tunes while cooking up a storm in the kitchen – I love musical theatre and simple, tasty home cooked food (and talking about both!)."

Dunedin Chapter LOH x 2 – Caron Noble & Tracy Johnston

Caron – "Hi. My name is Caron Noble and I have been a member of Dunedin Chapter for 4 years now, I am a non-rider & pillion whenever I get the chance.

At the moment I am on maternity leave and have a 7-month-old little boy Jack who attended his first rally at 3 weeks old".

Tracy – "I became an LOH member in 2017, after attending my first rally kind of by accident (TITG 2016). I was in Aviemore mountain biking and had been told by friends who have a Harley to buy a ticket as I'd get camping and access to the bands at night. While setting up my tent I met Steve, my now husband of almost 8 years. I watched the parade ride that year and was blown away, after that I was hooked.

I started off as a pillion with Steve, and joined Lindum Colonia, and in 2020 I got a Sportster 1200T, and due to covid delays passed my test in 2021. I've ridden round parts of Scotland a few times, and down to England, in particular to Lincolnshire to attend Sherwood Rally. I'd like to ride in Europe, once time allows.

Caron and I are both new to the LOH role, and we have the grand job of organising the LOH event at Thunder. It's a daunting prospect, and while we have a few ideas, there is no definite plan as yet.

An interesting fact about me is I have completed 44 Munro's, which resulted in me walking some of the Annapurna Circuit in Nepal (it was totally incredible) and also climbing the highest mountain in north Africa, Mount Toubkal, in the Atlas Mountains".



Plymouth Chapter LOH – Bev Bryan

"Hi, Bev here from the Plymouth Chapter.

I have been an LOH officer since November 2024, I do ride but sadly not a Harley. I'm just really starting out and still on a 125, so for now I'm happy to be a pillion. We have a great bunch of ladies in our chapter and it's great spending time with them.

So far this year I have booked Thunder in the Glens and the Great Western Rumble, if any of our ladies are also attending, I will try to arrange a meet".

Oxford Chapter LOH – Pam Banfield Combs

"Hi, I'm new to you but have been in post for a year. I'm Pam from Oxford chapter although we have just lost our dealership like so many others. Care now under the wing of Cheltenham and Rolling Hills who gave us a great reception and welcome.

I've been riding bikes for 40 years. I took out 15 to bring up kids and came back again a couple of years ago with always wanting a Harley having done and expired on sport bike riding. My first was a street bob and I now have a low ride s, love the bike but heavy to manoeuvre. I also have a (cough) Honda rebel 1100, which for me is great. When the Harley gets tough or no one around to help me manoeuvre, the rebel is fab light easy to ride and an alternative in difficult situations or I'm on my own without hubby to pull me around. I also have a bike in my family /kitchen room which I've had for 30 years. It's a family heirloom for my son 😊

Iceni Chapter LOH - Yvonne Owers

"I didn't get on a bike until I was 48 when I tried being pillion. I decided to give it a go myself and passed my CBT before Covid and had a 125 to get experience. I even took my test in 2023 aged 52 and insured my Sport Glide 2 hours later.

I've been a HOG member since 2019 and chapter member the same. I met my partner Mike at a brass band, and we still play. Learning while peri-menopausal not the best plan!



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Birmingham Chapter – Marie Hall

"LOH Birmingham HOG chapter, rider and have been riding Harleys for around 14 years, my ride is a XL sportster super low & love riding my trusty steed. I am LOH Officer alongside Trish Easton. Interesting fact, well I recently became a widow & my husband & I were always out on our Harleys. My Birmingham HOG family have been my rocks & kept me going. I am going to my first rally at St. Tropez in May really excited. Long may my riding continue Marie xxx"



Clyde Valley Chapter – Nicole Tanzabel

"I'm a rider - I ride a 2018 Breakout. I've been a LOH member since joining HOG back in 2013. Interesting fact: I've been an extra on Home and Away. If that show isn't well known in UK & Ireland, another one is that I've hiked to Everest Base Camp (but not up Everest!)"



Great Western Chapter – Anita Cockwell

"Hi, I'm Anita Cockwell aka 'Cockers'. I have been the Great Western Chapter's LOH Officer since June 2024 and also the Chapters Membership Officer since the start of 2024. I have previously served as the Chapters Activities Officer for six years. Having just been in post for a few months (after a period of no LOH Officer) I am just gathering speed on arranging activities for the Ladies, but I'm pleased that many have given me suggestions as to what they'd like to do, and those activities have been well attended. I have put coffee morning dates on our Chapter calendar, so these are set regardless of anything else.

With my husband Mark we have been HOG and Chapter members since 2008. I am a pillion riding on the back of Marks Street Glide Special. I came to motorcycles late in life when Mark returned to biking in his fifties and seeing him enjoy himself too much without me, I decided I needed to be on the back! Although I have tried riding a motorcycle let's just say I'm 'not a natural!'"



1066 Chapter – Deborah Laurence

"My name is Deborah and I am LOH for 1066 Chapter in Sussex. I only came into biking when I met my husband Stu 13 years ago, who, at the time, had a Honda Fireblade so I was pillion and loved it instantly, although not the most comfortable bike as a pillion! We were riding with a group of friends for a few years but after seeing so many lady riders and thinking how absolutely cool they looked, I decided to try riding myself. Long story short, I got my licence 7 years ago and Stu already had my 1st Sporty waiting in the garage for me! So I was destined to be a Harley girl. We only joined 1066 a few years ago as we wanted to do more riding and go more places, we've certainly done that! We've had so many adventures, trips abroad and in UK, rallies, party's etc, it's everything we wanted it to be. Stu is now a Road Captain and I'm also on the road crew too learning the ropes. I'm attending ROC this year so really looking forward to that. We live in Kent in a converted Chapel with our 3 dogs, Merlin, Pixie & Roxy (2x bull terriers & a Boston terrier/shih tzu). I love being in the chapter, we've made so many friends and had so much fun, and more to come.

3 things about me...

- *I own a Sportglide and a Sportster and love riding both.
 - *I've been married 3 times! (Saved the best till last)
 - *I adopted my son (who's now 30) and have 4 adorable grandchildren.
- Oh and I still think you ladies that ride look bloody awesome ♥".



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input from our LOH Officers

The ladies have been sharing their pics of events they have held in their Chapters.

Plymouth Chapter

Debbie Smith LOH Officer for Plymouth Chapter arranged a social gathering for a meal at a local Indian Restaurant in February



Birmingham Chapter

Birmingham Chapter LOH Officer Trish Easton and Marie Hall feeling the Valentine love at club night ♥



Rolling Hills Chapter

Nikki Martin LOH Officer from Rollings Hills Chapter wished us all a happy International Women's Day.



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Dunedin Chapter

Tracy Johnston, one of Dunedin Chapters LOH officers had her first bike ride of the year on International Women's day too.



Wolfruna Chapter

Kimberley McLaughlin, LOH Officer for Wolfruna Chapter had a Chapter afternoon and night out. They all did clay pigeon shooting and one of their new LOH Members came first in one of the games.



St Leger Chapter

LOH Officer Debbie Smith shared a picture of her Chapter enjoying a party afternoon walkabout and food in Doncaster. Thanks for pics Debbie 😊



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Chrome Hills Chapter

Andrea Siddons LOH Officer sent in this pic of the Chrome Hills LOH in front of the Chrome Hills and explained the hills are called that because when the sun shines on the hills they shine chrome.



New Forest Chapter

CEL Vicki Green, Steve Willis & Richard Kent were guest speakers at New Forest Chapter AGM.

VIP



Belfast Chapter

Anne Watson shared some pics of her Chapter event raising money for Women's Aid.

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Some more pictures from Belfast Chapter raising funds for Women's Aid sent in by Anne Watson. They raised £440 - fantastic everyone.



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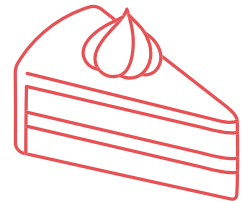
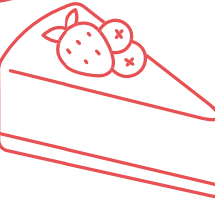
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Bev Bryan LOH Officer for Plymouth Chapter shared some photos of the LOH Potluck Hot Pot afternoon. All goodies contributed by their lovely members.



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#IFRD, #IFRDHerPower, #justride

Some of our LOH officers have arranged rides and events for this day. Join in and share your pics using the hashtags #IFRD, #IFRDHerPower, #Justride. For more info on this annual event go to MOTORESS.com



International Female Ride Day is on May 3, 2025. This day is a global celebration of women in motorcycling, motorsport, and powersports. It's a chance for female riders to connect, share their passion, and inspire others. Many women plan group rides, community events, and workshops to mark the day.



INTERNATIONAL FEMALE RIDE DAY 2024 ORGANISED BY LOH OFFICER SONIA GADEK OF SHERWOOD CHAPTER, WITH RUTLAND & WOLFUNA CHAPTERS

GIRL POWER



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What's coming up for us all?

COMING SOON

8th April - Online session with new LOH Officers at 7pm to introduce ourselves and give an opportunity for the ladies to ask questions.

20th May - online session to all the LOH officers to catch up, chat about events they are holding, discuss any success stories or difficulties they may be having with the larger group

Online

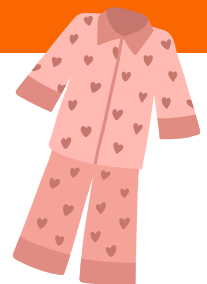


RALLIES

2nd - 5th MAY - BRIDGEWATER CHAPTER CIDER RALLY

Takes over the complete site at Pontins, Sand Bay. It is half board, so breakfast and evening meal are included. The price is £159pp for ticket and the half board accommodation, with live bands and disco for evening entertainment and this year's theme is Mexican Fiesta.

We have an LOH reception on Saturday afternoon from 3.30 until 5, with the theme this year being Pyjama Party. There will be cocktails and silly games.



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8th – 11th May – HARLEY DAVIDSON EURO FESTIVAL 2025 – CAMPING DE LA PLAGES IN ST. TROPEZ. Custom Bike Show, HD parade through St TROPEZ and scenic countryside, 100+ vendor shopping village, entertainment, bars and food. Rag 'n' Bone Man is headlining on Saturday 10th



16th – 19th MAY – ST LEGER CHAPTER – IRON HORSE RALLY – Blue Dolphin Holiday Park, Filey, Yorkshire. 3 nights of full on entertainment, guided ride outs in beautiful countryside and competitive games.



30th May – 1st June – BIKEFEST IRELAND – Gleneagle INEC Arena, Killarney, Kerry. its the 17th anniversary free open motorcycle festival. Live music on 3 stages, parade, ride the twisting tracks around the mountains high above the Killarney lakes and alongside the Atlantic Ocean.

6th – 9th June – CLYDE VALLEY CHAPTER – THE GATHERING in Hunters Quay, Dunoon again this year. Live music, 7 Lochs ride out, Custom show, whisky tasting, loudest pipes. LOH prosecco party on the Friday afternoon.



12th – 15th June - EUROPEAN HOG RALLY 2025 in Medulin, Croatia.

Suz and Emma are both attending and will be taking some time off work to ride there and back.

Emma is off with Tour1 and Suz will be pillion touring for 16 nights with husband Al.

We will arrange an opportunity for any UK & I LOH members to meet up when there. Hoping to be able to get a pic of this too 😊 Aiming for Friday 13th June at 5pm somewhere like the HOG Zone but will keep you posted on that.



HOG

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20th – 22nd June – BLACK MOUNTAINS CHAPTER – OAK TREE RALLY, Ivy Bush Royal Hotel, Carmarthen.

27th – 29th June RUTLAND CHAPTER – HORSESHOE RALLY, Greetham Community Centre, Great La, Oakham



27th – 29th June – AIRE VALLEY CHAPTER – ROAR ON THE MOOR, Ilkey Rugby Club, Ilkey, West Yorkshire

3rd – 6th July - RED ROSE CHAPTER – WAKE THE LAKES – There will be a LOH welcome gathering with a local drag queen (Miss Sugar)



11th – 13th July SHERWOOD CHAPTER RALLY – ride outs, Custom Bike show, trade stalls, live bands Friday - Women of Rock, Saturday -JOANovARC and the Saturday night theme this year is Medieval. Sherwood Chapter LOH are having meet and greet Friday 11th July @ 17.30pm. Games, free raffle and drinks.



24th – 27th July – FENLANDERS CHAPTER – EAST OF ENGLAND RALLY, Fendicks Fishery, Kings Lynn, Norfolk. Rideouts, live bands, merch stalls, rally games and much more.



1st – 3rd August – BELFAST CHAPTER - HOG 'n' BOG, Ragnarok. Ride outs Saturday & Sunday, live music, BBQ, stalls and vendors, bike show. There will be a LOH drinks reception on Friday 1st August.



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Heart & Soul

7th – 10th August – GEORDIE CHAPTER – HEART 'N' SOUL, Morpeth RFC, Morpeth. The "Who Done it?" HOG Rally. A murder mystery weekend, not to be missed.

15th – 17th August – HOGSBACK CHAPTER - CIRENCESTER RALLY – There will be a Prosecco-assisted Scavenger Hunt as the LOH activity – it promises to be a lot of fun, a bit of silliness, and a great way to get everyone mingling. Hope to see many of you there!



16th – 17th August – Women in Moto at Uttoxeter Racecourse– Emma & Suz will be attending this alongside Harley Davidson UK & Ireland Customer Experience Lead Vick Green. Will send you more details of how you can be involved in this as soon as we have them.



22nd– 25th August -DUNEDIN CHAPTER – THUNDER IN THE GLENS – Held in the Macdonald Resort in Aviemore, although there is lots of entertainment etc all around the town. We are having a ticketed LOH ride on Friday 22nd August at 3pm to the Speyside Centre, (limited numbers) and our 'LOH welcome do' on Saturday 23rd, details of which are still in the planning stages.



4th – 7th September – DEVA LEGION – CIRCUS MAXIMUS – THE RALLY IN THE VALLEY, International Pavillion, Llangollen, North Wales. Onsite glamping. Thursday has a Roman theme, Friday ride out and LOH & fancy dress Centurion night. Saturday has ride out, bike comp, raffles/prizes and disco/band.

RAFFLE

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RAFFLE

12th – 14th September – WELSH DRAGON CHAPTER- DRAGON FEVER RALLY, Cowbridge Town Hall, Cowbridge. LOH meet up, bands, raffle, ride out. complimentary shuttle bus for hotel guests.

12th – 14th September – LINDUM COLONIA – CONCURSUM IV, Old Barn Hotel, Grantham. live music, food & drink, theme nights too as Friday is Cill - Out Hawaiian and Saturday night is 1970's.

12th – 14th September – JERSEY CHAPTER – HOGS AROUND THE ROCK – ST HELIER. Pre - rally social evening and International Air display on Thursday 11th for those arriving early. Guided ride outs throughout the weekend.

26TH – 27TH September – CELTIC THUNDER CHAPTER IRELAND, 20TH BIRTHDAY, Haven Hotel , Waterford, Ireland. Accommodation per night is €160 incl b&b. There will be a LOH Prosecco Reception Meet & Greet on Friday 26th. The Haven have also confirmed that there is plenty of room for camping on the grounds and there is plenty of alternative accommodation in Dunmore such as b&b once the hotel is at full capacity. Contact Details : 051 383150

CAMP

10th – 12th October – ROC session (Regional Officer Connection) Great opportunity for Networking, Training, Connections, Opportunity to promote Chapter events, Open to Officers and Future Officers. Suz & Emma plan to hold a longer LOH face to face session there depending on numbers attending. Or we will hold smaller workshops if not too many LOH are able to attend.

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AIRE VALLEY	MICHELLE MCHALE & MADDIE-ANN SPEIGHT
1066	DEBORAH LAURENCE
BELFAST	ANNE WATSON
BIRMINGHAM	TRISH EASTON & MARIE HALL
BLACK MOUNTAIN	
BRIDGEWATER	SHARON HEMBROW
CELTIC THUNDER	RUBY PURCELL
CHROME HILL	ANDREA SIDDONS
CLYDE VALLEY	NICOLE TANZABEL
CHELSEA & FULHAM	
DEVA LEGION	DIANE HALHEAD
DUNEDIN	TRACY JOHNSTON & CARON NOBLE
FENLANDERS	CAROLINE NICHOLLS
GAELIC	KAREN MILLER
GEORDIE	LOUISE LOMAS
GREAT WESTERN	ANITA COCKWELL
HOGSBACK	VICKI de CARTERET
ICENI	YVONNE OWERS
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NEW FOREST	
OXFORD	PAM BANFIELD COMBS
PLYMOUTH	BEVERLEY BRYAN
RED ROSE	KIM FYFE
ROLLING HILLS	NIKKI MARTIN
RUTLAND	
SHERWOOD	HELEN NUTALL & SONIA GADEK
ST LEDGER	DEBBIE SMITH
STOKE	
THAMES VALLEY	EMMA SLARK
THREE RIVERS	TRACY COMMON
WELSH DRAGON	CHERYLE THURLOW

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That's it from us for now....

We really enjoy being part of the Regional Team and one of our favourite things at the end of the riding season is to be part of the annual ROC Session.

Appreciate that not all our LOH Officers can make this and so we are looking into having some online sessions in the winter to keep us connected through the darker months. Will keep our ladies posted.



We hope you have enjoyed reading our first LOH Newsletter, we plan to do this each season.

Can't do it without you though so please send us your stories, pics, events that you organised or attended, charity updates, anything at all really that you think would be good to share.

Our email addresses are at the bottom of every page.

Ride safe and have fun

Suz & Emma

THANK YOU!



ROC - LOH WORKSHOP 2024