



H.O.G.® CALLS

Crow River H.O.G.® Chapter 2381

Jan 2010

Hot Line 763-972-4759

Upcoming Events

- B-Day Dinner** Jan 19
McGarry's, Maple Plain
Meet at restaurant 7pm
- Christmas Party** Jan 23
Three Crows, Delano 6:30pm
- CR H.O.G.® Meeting** Feb 2
Edie Mae's Eatery, Delano 7pm
- Cycle World Show** Feb 5-7
- B-Day Dinner** Feb 16
TBD
Meet at restaurant 7pm
- CR H.O.G.® Meeting** Mar 2
Edie Mae's Eatery, Delano 7pm
- Phoenix Winter Trip** Mar 20-27
- Donnie Smith Show** Mar 27-28
- CR H.O.G.® Meeting** Apr 6
Edie Mae's Eatery, Delano 7pm

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT LUCIAN STRONG

Well, here we are looking forward to a whole new year in 2010 full of great rides and good times with good friends. I know I've been down at the dealer sitting on my bike hoping for a freakishly early spring.

To do justice to 2009 we have to thank the people who made it such a good year. First and foremost is Crow River Harley Davidson (who usually just gets billed as "the dealer") and Virgil & Rodney Scherping. A pretty good percentage of our membership dues are paid by CRHD. They also sponsor our club and give us an exclusive HOG discount. They have been paying our postage and making our lives easier behind the scenes in so many ways. In addition, the dealer has just contributed a meaningful amount to our Holiday party prizes. Even better, we are working on ways to cooperate together in 2010 that will benefit all of us. So thank you CRHD.

Your club rides, events, meetings, picnics, parties and overnights just don't happen. There are many members who volunteer a significant amount of time and effort to plan and execute these functions. Your club Officers and Road Captains are the most visible, but there are others who work just as hard. Jesse Husby and Wally Clark spend a lot of time contacting and welcoming new members. Carl Horton as Editor works equally hard at producing and distributing our newsletter. Mary Husby, Dana Willard and Sharon Clark toil anonymously to put on our two biggest events: the summer picnic and winter Holiday party. Your Officers and Road Captains Greg Park, Mary Husby, Randy Willard, Jesse Husby, Wally Clark, and Barry Schuettpelez take care of all the minutiae it takes to run this club and plan and lead rides. They do this so that the only thing our members have to do is show up, ride and have fun! So I say, "thank you" to every one of you. The next time you have a great time on a club ride thank one of these people for it.

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ASS'T DIRECTOR'S REPORT GREG PARK

Club Officers

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Ride and have fun. That's the tie between us, and it's our chapter motto. It is a simple concept that can sometimes get a little complicated. For instance, how do we make group rides fun (and keep them safe) when we have 25 bikes in a group and everyone has different levels of experience? How do we tie together the many different personalities of our officers and Road Captains to keep things running smoothly and make them fun at the same time? How do we decide which rides, activities, and events to host each year? It is a tough task to make everybody happy—and virtually impossible—so we plan a variety of events, activities, and rides. Hopefully, you will each find something that is fun. On behalf of the chapter, I want to thank each one of you who contributed to the fun, who came out to our rides, events, and activities this past year and I hope you managed to enjoy yourselves. My personal thank you to those of you who volunteered to help

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Notes from the Monthly Membership Meeting

- Treasurers Report: \$ 63.00
- Membership Report: 130 members ; 31 members signed up for 2010 already-get your membership form in!
- Door prize winner was Jim Hendricks
- Reminder to sign up for the Christmas party at the Three Crows in Delano. The date is Saturday, January 23 and the cost is \$12. The deadline to get your money in is January 18. Times are listed below:

6:30 Social Time

7:15 Dinner

8:00 \$10 gift exchange. If you want to participate, bring one-get one

- Also, it is membership time again-please fill out the attached membership application and mail it in with your check (\$15 per person/\$25 per couple) to Mary Husby. **This will be your last newsletter if you do not send in your renewal this month.** Make sure to write legibly and include your email address.
- New Officer elections were held at the January meeting. Your new officers are:
Director Lucian Strong
Ass't Director Greg Park
Secretary Mary Husby
Treasurer Barry Schuettpelz
- Appointed by the board are the following positions:
Head Road Captain Randy Willard

Road Captains Wally Clark
Jesse Husby
David Chase

Editor Carl Horton
- The dealership is changing its' look! Stop by and see all the changes. Note that the service desk is temporarily located at the parts counter due to the construction.

Ideas Wanted!

Now is your chance to contribute to the activities, events, and rides for our chapter. Do you find yourself saying, "Gosh, I wish the chapter would do...?" or "How come they never take a ride to...?" or "Why aren't there more overnight adventures...?" If you have any ideas, please contact an officer and let's try something new!

Other Announcements

- Don't forget the H.O.G.® Discount available for members: 10% off on Saturday's and also 10% off 1 hour prior to each ride or meeting (discount does not apply to new bike purchase or service). Plus there are various sales going through Christmas.
- Don't forget about the winter trip to Phoenix! Cost is \$875 per person for hotel, bike transportation and dinner party and \$495 for the airfare. Detailed handouts are available at the dealer for deposits, etc or you can email for information to info@crowriverhd.com. 1 spot is left!

Upcoming Motorcycle Events

Cycle World International Motorcycle Shows
<http://www.motorcycleshows.com/Minneapolis>

Feb. 5-7, 2010

23rd Annual Donnie Smith Bike Show
<http://www.donniesmithbikeshow.com/>

Sat, March 27th & Sun, March 28th

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Elections of your new club officers for 2010 occurred at our January chapter meeting. I am happy to welcome Barry Schuettpelz as our new Treasurer. The other officers were reelected to their present positions as you can note on the bottom left front page of the newsletter. The Board has also reappointed Carl Horton as our Editor, Randy Willard as our Head Road Captain and Jesse Husby, Wally Clark and Dave Chase as our Road Captains. Welcome all and thank you for taking on these responsibilities.



Clockwise from left: Duluth State Rally, Meeting up at Sturgis, Last year at the holiday Party



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at events and gave generously of your time. From setting up at the meetings, picnics, parties, cooking, cleaning up, lugging chairs and tables, planning rides, and offering moral support, this club is not a one-man (or woman) show, but a total group effort. I want you to know your efforts are greatly appreciated. My heartfelt thanks goes out to the officers and Road Captains; you should all feel good about your accomplishments. Seeing folks smiling, riding, and having fun is what it's all about. James Taylor said, "There are ties between us, all men and women...we are bound together by the task that stands before us and the road that lies ahead." Our task is simple. To see people do well, be successful, and have fun working together as a group. To see ideas discussed freely and suggestions offered respectfully, making positive steps forward for our chapter. Here's hoping that 2010 is a year full of new ideas, fond memories, and fun. Make 2010 the year you contribute to the fun for the entire group. Volunteer and help to make a positive impact and strengthen the tie that binds us together. See you on the road!