



**Vancouver Chapter  
Harley Owners Group**

**Business Meeting Minutes  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

*The meeting was called to order by Director Marc V at 10:02 am*

**NEWS from TREV DEELEY MOTORCYCLES® (CHAPTER SPONSOR):**



**Justin:**

**Sales Department**

- We have a 1.49% rate on NEW 2024 Softails.
- 2025 Models are in the building...speak with one of our salespeople and they can show you
- The website's event calendar has been updated! And our first Demo Day will be on Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Parts Department**

- Saturday means that we have a new Deal of the week on display by our Parts counter. If you're interested, make sure to go look!

**Service Department**

- Our service department is having a Pre-Season Promo for February. It's almost riding season so we're offering FREE battery health reports. You can either bring in your bike or just the battery on its own. This way you'll be able to ride as soon as it's spring! Go visit the service department to book your appointment now!

If you're a part of our email newsletter, be on the lookout next week, we may have some more promotions than I've listed today...

**Carrie:** Congratulations to TDMC for winning the 'Bike Off' at the Vancouver Motorcycle Show

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1123403382565084>

[https://www.instagram.com/reel/DFX\\_7a7PIWg/?igsh=eXhjdnlxZnYxdnhh](https://www.instagram.com/reel/DFX_7a7PIWg/?igsh=eXhjdnlxZnYxdnhh)

Congratulations to Stuart for being in the Top 10 Salespeople of 2024

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1665867370993448>

*Question re:* Tariffs – unsure how it will affect, still waiting for a response from HD

*Question re:* Bike service for motorcycles older than 10 years. Carries clarified that it is 15 years, but she also clarified that they wont necessarily work on the motorcycle, it will just take longer due to parts and Tech availability.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION**

**Director:** *Marc V, Vancouver HOG® Chapter*

***Are there any new members present? NO***

***Any members present with a birthday this month? Yes, Susan W***

***Attending: 17***

***Any members ride to the meeting today? Yes! Becca!!***

### **PAST EVENTS:**

**Happy New Year!**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025** – 10:00 am Monthly Chapter Meeting, TDMC

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025** – 11:00 am Annual Chapter Membership Renewal \$25

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January, Rick and Tammy Initiative - Thank you so much to Rick & Tammy for your time and dedication!

Thank you to all the volunteers who spent time after the meeting making the sandwiches and for completing the packages!

**17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January – Vancouver Motorcycle Show**

<https://motocanada.com/shows/vancouver/>

\*\* Please if you attended, please do a review of what you liked, missed etc.... The only way we will get what we need, is if we ask.

There is also the 'talk' that the event might move to BC Place in 2026 – we will wait for the announcement

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025** – 6:30 pm Dinner @ Cactus Club, 9 members enjoyed a happy dinner together.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025** – LOH dinner & get together, 6:30 pm The Admiral Pub. 4 Ladies had a happy evening.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Today's chapter meeting with lunch to follow at Boston Pizza.**
- 10 members had a lovely lunch together

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February, (PRE) Valentines Day lunch** at Cactus Club, 101 Schoolhouse, Coquitlam at 12:00 pm 

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February**, 6:30 pm dinner at Trocadero Restaurant, 2411 Nanaimo Street, Vancouver

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025**, LOH dinner & get together, 6:30 pm The Admiral Pub

*REMINDER: When you sign up for an event (on FB too), we make a reservation at that venue based on those numbers. If you sign up, including on FB, and you find you can't make it after all, please do us the courtesy of letting us know... [vanhogcommunication@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogcommunication@gmail.com)*

### **Google Calendar:**

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=cWdzdjlwYWVwbjJtaGRmb2U0aGloMGJzNGdAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ>

### **OF INTEREST TO VANCOUVER HOG® MEMBERS**

#### **VANCOUVER HOG® CHAPTER "MILEAGE CHALLENGE":**

Managed by Steve D., Asst. Director [steveda@shaw.ca](mailto:steveda@shaw.ca)

- Have you updated your mileage with Steve?

#### **SUNSHINE COAST HOG® CHAPTER NEWS**

If you would like to show your support & become a member of our sister chapter, **Coast Highway Chapter, BC Canada** (Chapter #10050), applications are available at the west desk of TDMC. Cost is \$20/year for active HOG® International members.

#### **VANCOUVER HOG® WEBSITE**

See photos, events, & past meeting minutes.

<https://www.trevdeeley.com/check-out-our--HOGVancouver>

**VANCOUVER HOG® FACEBOOK PAGE**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/?ref=bookmarks>

We are trying to make our Facebook page more informative and interactive for members and encourage those who haven't joined the page to do so.

Read about upcoming events, news from Trev Deeley, and news from other members.

Members can post photos, plans to meet for a ride or use it to privately message other members. *Please ask to join if you haven't already done so!*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vancouverhogchapter/>

**VANCOUVER HOG® BUY & SELL PAGE** – (through the Facebook page)

Open to public to view but only Vancouver HOG® members can post bike-related items.

**VANCOUVER HOG® INSTAGRAM** @vancouverhog**CANADA HARLEY HOG WEBSITE** <https://www.harley-davidson.com/ca/en/content/hog.html>

**HOG® CANADA RIDE 365:** *To see all the rules and how to register for this program go to the HOG® Canada Official site, follow the links to register on your own to become involved.*

<https://www.harley-davidson.com/ca/en/content/hog.html>

**OFFICER REPORTS****ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:**

**Steve D: (away)**

Remember to get your mileage start photo entered.

**SAFETY REPORT**

**Wilko V:**

**Cold Weather Riding & Tire Grip**

As we move into colder months, it's important to be aware of how temperature affects our motorcycle tires. Unlike cars, motorcycles rely heavily on tire grip of only 2 tires for stability and control, making it essential to understand how cold weather impacts performance. Your Harley likely has **cruiser/touring tires**, which don't require as much heat as sport tires but still benefit from some warming up, especially in cooler temperatures.

**Tires Lose Grip Below 7°C (45°F)**

Once temperatures drop below **7°C**, the rubber in our tires stiffens, reducing traction. This means longer stopping distances, less effective cornering, and an increased risk of slipping, especially on cold asphalt or damp roads.

- **Below 20°C (68°F)** – Tires may feel stiff, reducing traction slightly.
- **Below 10°C (50°F)** – Most street tires struggle to generate enough heat, increasing the risk of slipping.
- **Below 7°C (45°F)** – Significant grip loss as the rubber hardens, making cornering and braking less effective.
- **Near 0°C (32°F) and below** – Extreme loss of grip, risk of cold tearing, and possible ice formation on roads.

#### ◆ **Warming Up Your Tires Matters**

To maximize grip, it's crucial to **ride progressively for the first 10-15 minutes**. Avoid aggressive acceleration or hard braking until your tires have had time to warm up. Even on cool days, normal riding friction will gradually bring them to an optimal temperature.

#### ◆ **Key Takeaways for Safe Riding**



Ride smoothly and avoid sudden inputs until your tires warm up.

Check your tire pressure before heading out—cold weather lowers pressure.

Be extra cautious in shaded areas, bridges, and early morning rides where frost or black ice can form.

By keeping these points in mind, we can all stay safer on the road and enjoy our rides, no matter what the season.

*Ride Free, Stay Safe!*



#### LADIES OF HARLEY REPORT

**Teresa V:**

Dinner, get together for the ladies on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025, 6:30 pm at The Admiral Pub – 4125 Hastings Street, Burnaby



**\*\* A summer ride is being planned – dates to be announced soon.**

**Overnight Destination: Osoyoos**

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**Shawn M:**

We have 67 renewed members at this time. There are still 21 members that have not renewed their membership from last year. If you would like to renew your membership online, please email [vanhogmembership@gmail.com](mailto:vanhogmembership@gmail.com) for more info or you can go to Trev Deeley and renew in person.

*The winner of our free membership draw is Russ St. Eloi. Congratulations to Russ.*

### **FINANCE REPORT**

**Shawn M:**

We have a healthy account balance at the present time. We will be bringing ideas forward next month about charitable donations.

### **Questions / Comments / Suggestions:**

#### **2025 Calendar Highlights:**

1<sup>st</sup> March – Chapter Meeting

15<sup>th</sup> March – Pool Tournament

5<sup>th</sup> April – Season Opener Ride (after Chapter Meeting)

3<sup>rd</sup> May – Chapter Meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> May – International Female Ride Day

7<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday evening rides begin (alternate Wednesday's and locations)

***25<sup>th</sup> May – Ride to Live (Prostate Cancer fundraising ride) <https://www.ridetolive.ca/>***

*We have signed up the Chapter. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of our participation. It would be great if we could once again be the largest team registered. Our team is Vancouver HOG Chapter*

*<https://www.gifttool.com/athon/SignUpAcceptWaiver?ID=1852&AID=4349>*

7<sup>th</sup> June – Chapter Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> July – Chapter Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July – Homecoming HD Rally – Milwaukee

17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July – HOG Rally – Spokane Washington <https://www.harley-davidson.com/ca/en/content/hog/rallies.html>

9<sup>th</sup> August – Chapter Meeting (due to long weekend the previous weekend)

1<sup>st</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> August – Sturgis Rally

## **22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> August – Kootenay Loop Ride (multi-chapter ride)**

\*\* There is a joint chapter ride being organized through the Langley and Calgary Chapters:

This year we will be calling it the Kootenay HOG Run 2025

Destination/ Start of Run : CRESTON BC - Ramada parking lot

HOST Hotel : Ramada by Wyndham Creston

Address: 1-1809 Highway 3A Creston BC

Route:

Creston - Nelson - New Denver - Kaslo (Lunch stop) - Balfour Ferry - Crawford Bay - Creston

There is a Ricky's restaurant attached to the Hotel, where Dinner on Friday night will happen, although each group of course is free to do their own thing for Friday night.

Saturday night Ricky's has a conference room that can hold over 100 people where a buffet Dinner will be held at 7:00PM

Simple Itinerary is:

Arrive Friday in Creston, August 22 to Ramada (or any of the other 9 Hotel/Inns/Motels in Creston)

Saturday morning (with full tanks) KSU 9:00 AM - Ramada parking lot - there is a gas station just before the Hotel

Ride the route (above) having a lunch stop in Kaslo. There will be a gas stop in New Denver (1/2 way approximately through the ride 224KM to this stop)

Lunch in Kaslo from 1:00-3:00(3:30) - restaging at the Esso just South of Kaslo for the ride to the ferry in Balfour, taking us across to Crawford Bay - The ferry is a 40 minute crossing.

(we are in conversations with possible places in Kaslo for lunch or we may make it a free for all to choose wherever you wish to eat - more information to come)

Dinner at 7:00 PM together back at Ricky's

Sunday - departing for home or other destination as you see fit.

The Run is about 6 hours of Ride time

*There are 9 other places in Creston if you choose to stay elsewhere.*

There are already the following chapters represented: Langley, Vancouver, Fraser Valley, Kamloops and Calgary.

Invites are going out to all chapters between BC and Manitoba.

Ramada by Wyndham Creston  
Unit #1 1809 Hwy 3A  
Creston, BC Canada  
V0B 1G8  
Ph: 250-254-1111  
Fax: 250-428-2118

I (Teresa), on behalf of Vancouver HOG, have reserved 5 rooms (**which have all since been taken**) but you can phone the hotel directly, and ask to be put on the waitlist under Vancouver HOG. (Kootenay HOG Rally 2025).

27<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> September – SMCA Three Flags Event  
6<sup>th</sup> September – Chapter Meeting and Fallen Members Ride  
13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> September – Port Alberni Toy Ride <https://portalbernitoyrun.ca/>  
28<sup>th</sup> September – Oyster Run, Anacortes <https://oysterrun.org/>  
4<sup>th</sup> October – Chapter Meeting and Season Ender Ride  
1<sup>st</sup> November – Chapter Meeting  
6<sup>th</sup> December - Chapter Meeting & Christmas Lunch

### **PRIZE DRAWS**

**TDMC \$25 Birthday Gift Certificate** (1) for February 2025, donated by our Chapter, awarded to:  
Congrats to Susan W

**Membership Draw (x 2)** winner for the month of February 2025 wins a \$25 Gift Card of their choice from Chevron: Gary M & Susan W

**Cash Draw: \$45 to Teresa V**

### **NEXT MEETING:**

Sat. March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 10:00 TDMC Followed by Vancouver HOG® Lunch

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at: 10:35 am

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