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## Redwood Empire Chapter HOG #3494



### Directors Report

Greetings everyone,  
2019 is half over and it seems like we just started our riding season. Last month we had our first overnight of the year and it was a blast. Steve Pehargou led us down the coast to Santa Cruz on one of the hottest days of the year. 90+ degrees as we traveled through San Francisco and Pacifica and it only got hotter as we

arrived in Santa Cruz. That evening was very pleasant and the ride home was absolutely gorgeous as we traveled up the coast. Later that week Glenn Childers took group up the Booneville with lunch at the Buckhorn Saloon and then down the coast home. Robert Gilford finished off the June riding schedule with his ride to the delta. Thank you Road Captains for taking the time to plan and lead these rides for the chapter. All we have to do is show up, ride and have fun...that's it.

July we have another amazing calendar of rides like the River Cats baseball game and our second overnighter, this time heading north to Eureka. And remember to mark your calendars for Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> our annual Summer Run. Top poker hand will win a free service from Sonoma County Harley-Davidson. Lunch will also be provided by Sonoma County Harley-Davidson. Please check the RECHOG calendar for details. [www.rechog.org](http://www.rechog.org)

**THERE WILL BE NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY.**

Due to the Fourth of July holiday we will not have a general meeting in July. Our next general meeting will be held on **Thursday August 1<sup>st</sup>**. We have also moved the September general meeting from Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am prior to the Tin Barn Classic Ride. Coffee and donuts will be provided for our meeting then we will go on a ride.

Our membership continues to grow; we are currently at 123 members and counting. Our rides have been very well attended and we have given away

approximately \$825 worth of Sonoma County Harley-Davidson gift cards to our members at these rides. It's easy to win and there is no cost to participate. Come on out to our next ride, maybe you will be our next lucky winner. That's all for now, if you have any questions regarding RECHOG please feel free to call me (707) 696-6272 or email [director@rechog.org](mailto:director@rechog.org) .  
**"You don't stop riding when you get old; you get old when you stop riding."**

Ride safe, have fun

Randy Mack  
Director 2019



## Assistant Directors Report

Greeting Redwood Empire HOG members,

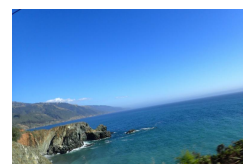
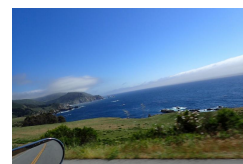
I asked Sergio to write a bit about his recent HOG Rally experience. Please read his ride journey below. I welcome any and all members to send me your stories and photos to share in the newsletter.

### 2019 HOG Riding the Sierras rally

A few of us met at the Petaluma Chevron station, (Antonio, Marc, Princess Donna, and Lonnie). We started the journey via the Golden Gate Bridge, Santa Cruz, highway-1, what a beautiful ride to Pismo Beach, flowers everywhere, blue sky, ocean and good friends. The next morning after a long walk at the beach, we continued via H-166 to Bakersfield to join the HOG rally and 175 riders. John Metz joined our small group and we traveled via H-178 in the Sierras to Fresno. What a ride, 265 miles of narrow twisty roads, beautiful mountains, birds, rivers and waterfalls. Antonio and I arrived at our hotel in Fresno and in the process of parking our bikes, I see a group of African American ladies, dressed in beautiful white dresses. I looked at Antonio and asked him if we died and gone to heaven, because I have never seen so many angels. Of course, my comment was loud enough for the ladies to hear and they all got a great laugh.

Next morning, we proceeded to ride to Sonora via Yosemite, wow what a ride. I have been to Yosemite many times, but I have never seen it with so much water. The waterfalls were amazing and the snow on the mountains was beautiful. On the way from Yosemite to Jamestown we hit snow on the road, the trikes looked like snowplows with snow flying in all directions. We arrived in Sonora and headed to dinner. After dinner of course, Lonnie and I hit every bar in town and partied with the local characters (I lost Lonnie at the third bar, for a minute I thought I had donated him to goodwill, or something, but then I found him again surrounded by some shady women).

The next morning, we split up, Lonnie/Antonio rode directly to Sacramento. Disney Princess Donna, John, Marc and I, rode



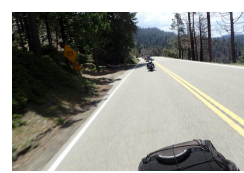


highway 4 to 88, this took us up to the mountains, parts of the road we rode were enclosed by several feet of snow, beautiful mountains and blue sky.

*Conclusion: nothing better than riding with friends.*

Sergio Bravo Vial

Have fun and ride safe,  
Heidi Faulkner, Asst. Director



## Ride Photo's

Lots of sun and fun  
Check out this  
months rides below





We're well into Spring, and for Harley-Davidson and H.O.G. that means the whole country is finally out riding. It's what we do, and it's why we live. Now we're getting ramped up for rally season. The Cajun H.O.G. Rally has come and gone with 1,500+ H.O.G. members and guests having a great time in the Bayou. There are a lot more to come, and I am getting excited.

Ride 365 is in full swing, so hopefully your Chapter members have signed up and had their first mileage readings. The regional managers are almost done with the awards visits for the 2018 winners, and it has been a blast. The Journey Challenge is another reason to get on the best damn motorcycles in the world, and do what we do—Ride and Have Fun.

I hope to see you all at the upcoming rallies and on the road. I will be riding through California on the Riding the Sierras H.O.G. Touring Rally, then headed to the Last Frontier H.O.G. Rally in Alaska and then on to the Rocky Mountain H.O.G. Rally in Colorado over the next month. I hope to see you at one or more of the rallies. Be sure to say "hi." Ride safe and have fun.

See ya on the road!

Thor Robinson  
HOG Regional Manager

## Upcoming Events and Rides

NO General Meeting

August 1st General Meeting  
6pm China Village



**Sunday July 14th**

**River Cats Baseball game  
with Steve Pehargou  
Meet at Johnny's Java at 8am  
depart at 8:30am  
Ride to Sacramento through the  
Delta. Game time 1pm. Reserve  
your ticket by calling Steve 707-  
287-8785**

**Wednesday July 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Board of directors meeting  
6:00 pm at Sonoma County Harley-  
Davidson**

**Friday July 19th**

**Coastal Ride with Heidi Faulkner  
Meet at 9am depart at 9:30am  
from Sonoma County Harley**

**Saturday July 27-July 28**

**Overnight ride  
Meet at 9am, depart at 9:30am  
Bad Ass Coffee corner of Mark  
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redwoods and coast. Call and make  
your hotel reservations now Super  
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**Sunday August 11th**

**Clearlake Ride  
with Glann Childers  
Meet at SCHD at 10am depart at  
10:30am**

**Friday August 16th**

**Colusa Casino Ride with Randy  
Mack. Meet at 9am depart at  
9:30am from Sonoma County  
Harley**

**Wednesday August 21<sup>th</sup>**

**Board of directors meeting  
6:00 pm at Sonoma County  
Harley-Davidson**

**Sunday August 25th**

**Annual SUMMER RUN  
Meet at 9am, depart at 9:30am  
SCHD. Members only ride. Each  
member may invite 1 guest. Enjoy  
a ride over the mountains  
through the woods, then the  
vineyards we are known for  
before arriving at Lake Sonoma  
for lunch provided by SCHD**



### **Dealership Spotlight MEET LILLIAN HAUERWAS, EARLY FEMALE MOTORCYCLE RIDER AND MENTOR**

Lillian Hauerwas was not only an avid rider; she was also a staunch proponent of more women riding motorcycles. Lillian began riding in 1911 when she was 19 years old and ten years later, she reported that she had ridden

approximately 56,000 miles. She took every opportunity to try to persuade women that they could ride and still retain their grace and femininity.

In articles she wrote for national trade magazines, The Harley-Davidson Dealer, and The Harley-Davidson Enthusiast, Lillian stressed two main ideas: (1) that a woman could ride a motorcycle and remain feminine; and (2) that the barrier to more women riding motorcycles was simply a lack of knowledge of the sport and the machine.

In her article, "Educational Work Needed: More Women Would Ride Motorcycles if They Understood the Machines" Lillian states, "I am fully convinced that the reason more women do not ride motorcycles is that they fail to grasp the recreation possibilities of the machine." "Altogether too many women regard the motorcycle as complicated and hard to handle, where as a matter of fact it is just the opposite. If they could be induced to make a trial trip under proper auspices they would at once gain confidence ..."

Lillian was one of the first members, and the only female rider, of the Milwaukee Motorcycle Club which formed in 1913. The club's headquarters stood on 35th and Wells Streets, blocks from the Harley-Davidson factory. Lillian served as the official hostess for the club helping to plan club parties and celebrations.

Articles featuring Lillian touted her exploits as she was known for taking on challenges that most riders shied away from. In the October 1912 issue of The Harley-Davidson Dealer it was stated: "Miss Lillian Hauerwas of Milwaukee ... has achieved the enviable distinction of being the first girl to handle a motorcycle over the bad roads between Chicago and Milwaukee."

In 1913, during the 322-mile Gypsy Tour, a ride from Milwaukee by way of Madison and Appleton, a few of the male riders were heard to say, "I wish I could ride like she does." Her appetite for adventure and her love of country even led Lillian to inquire about becoming a motorcycle dispatch rider in Europe during World War I, although there is no record of her ever serving in that capacity.

Lillian also worked for the Motor Company for several years. Her exact start with the company is undocumented, however, the first official hint of Lillian's employment with Harley-Davidson is a mention of her in an article that appeared in the Nov. 16, 1916 issue of Motor Cycle Illustrated as a member of the Harley-Davidson team at the 1916 National Motorcycle, Bicycle and Accessory Mart-Convention held in Chicago. In 1917, she was listed as a member of the office staff, and by 1921 she was listed as having responsibilities for sales records and statistics. According to 1930 and 1940 census records, Lillian went on to work as a stenographer and ultimately, she trained to be an x-ray technician.

Source: Harley-Davidson® Motor Company

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## **WELCOME to the Chapter 8 New Members for June**

Michael Little Nathalie Higley Brittany Shores  
Anton Auzans Terese Gilford Michael Beaver  
Jared Carroll Kristopher Jones

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## **Membership Board Meeting Topics**

- No meeting General meeting July
- Sept. 5th General Meeting being moved to Sept. 8th before the Tin Barn Ride at SCHD coffee and donuts will be served.
- Currently membership is at 123 members and STILL growing
- Tickets to the River Cat baseball game are \$20
- Chapter bank balance in good standing
- Summer Run- Pre-ride being done, food being ordered and DJ set
- SCHD sent David to orientations for arrival of the new Live Wire
- Heidi has been making welcome calls to all new members

### Membership General Meeting Topics

- Reviewed all the great rides for June and July
- Details on the upcoming rides was provided by Steve Pehargou
- No General meeting for July
- Randy encouraged everyone to submit new ride ideas for next year
- All ride photos can be emailed to photographer@rechog.com
- Ian discussed upcoming American Legion events
- Annual Summer Poker Run will be August 25th with the SCHD supplying lunch and the grand prize for the poker run, this is a member only ride and each member may invite one guest

For full details go to the RECHOG web site

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