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Harley Owners Group  
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## A word from our Dealer.....



Hi All

The Rally is successfully over, and it is back to business for my team. If there is one thing you can do to support the mutually beneficial relationship between H.O.G and your Harley Davidson Sponsoring Dealer it is to *Buy Local*. Ask for a price – on a new bike, on service, on parts or on accessories, but make sure you give us the opportunity to talk about what you get by buying local **after** you have compared that price with other dealers (because we all shop around for the best deal). At City Bikeworx H-D we are more than willing to hear from members about their requirements and see if we can find a way to have everyone happy.

*Dave & Team*

Dealer Principal

# EDITORS REPORT.

The team is worn out from organizing our Rally@Byron. Reports from all other officers are not ready for this issue, that is ok as I have lots to say.....

## **LET'S START WITH THE RALLY@BYRON September 13-15th:**

There was an enormous amount of planning, time, effort and energy going on in the background by your committee to get this gig up and running, not to mention the huge amount of help required over the weekend from members and friends.

- **Dealer Principal Dave Waldron** for accepting the sponsorship of our Chapter so we could actually get things underway.
- Dave made available a fantastic bike to raffle and a 115<sup>th</sup> Anniversary jacket.
- The 'shop' was set up at the rally venue, and the team did a fantastic job with the display.
- **Webmaster Les Skennar truly is a *webmaster*.** NNSWHOG is the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter to use the Member Jungle app for Rally registrations. It took endless hours to get the site organized, operational and functional.
- There were some restraints; legal, software based and plain old user error by registrants that consumed a huge chunk of Les' time but on each occasion a way was found to circumvent or fix these issues.
- Our format is so good thanks to Les and Jo, that Member Jungle are now using it for other Chapters who are organizing their Rallies.
- The monitoring, reporting and info sharing that is required for the rally nominations was continual on a daily basis and Les did not let us down.
- If you bump into Les I suggest you buy him a beer (and Sally a wine) to say thank you
- **Assistant Director Jo Faulks** is a powerhouse when it comes to getting things done.
- Stepping up, using her knowledge from travel to other Rallies both domestic and internationally and with great organizational skills Jo has been the driver of much of the content that participants experienced and saw.
- Jo spent countless hours assisting Les with the webpage content, contacting prospective supporters, following up on pledges to the rally packs, planning the Friday and Saturday night formats and ordering merchandise requested from registrations.

- She had also been liaising with HOG Australia to ensure that our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations at the Rally@Byron are in true H.O.G. style.
- When Jo asked for help you can bet it was because she has no time left to do anything more.
- Largely due to Jo's efforts our Chapter received a compliment from the official H.O.G. Merchandise supplier. He said that we have *"one of the best designs for the merchandise he has seen and are extremely organized"*.
- Jo drinks wine too, and I can guarantee she would appreciate a big bottle of Chardy, though perhaps at the moment some sparkling water might be more appropriate.
- **Director Matt Denehy** though time strapped, was succinct with some of the issues that arose, is credited with the initial concept and has worked towards having the most amazing event.
- As MC for the event, Matt oversaw the Chapter Challenge and Saturday Night formalities.
- **Treasurer Shane Ironside** also pushed for time, arranged much of the initial venue arrangements, entertainment and of course, deposit payments to get the ball rolling.
- With the minor issue of 600 people all trying to get a fed with a drink at 6pm on Saturday night, Shanes Responsible Service of Alcohol certification was a god send, allowing many thirsty rally goers to have a drink whilst standing in line for food.
- **Secretary Ali Payne** Kept track of where the planning was up to for follow up at meetings, organized the Chapter Challenge games and assisted with whatever needed doing at any given time.
- **Membership Officer Chris Launder** has been terrific on the follow ups for advertising and sponsorship, receiving deliveries and helping where help is needed.
- **Editor Yours Truly** pulled the Guided Rides together with the help of some very able Road Captains (Jack, Ronnie & Tracey) and Corner Markers.

There is no way our Chapter would be able to run this event without this great committee and members 'having a go', taking time from their work and home lives to deliver a rally that we can all be proud of.

**Thank you to the many helpers who assisted** in the lead up and over the Rally@Byron weekend as without you the event would not have run so smoothly.

**The Profit figure from all the work by members towards this rally will be announced at the Annual General Meeting.**

## 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Run – hosted by Ulysses

Being held Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 from 8am to 12 noon, starting at Ballina Seagulls with registration. Breakfast BBQ and Coffee available to purchase. Bring a toy to donate, dress your bike up, even dress yourself up if you wish. Our chapter strongly supports this annual event.

Head over to the Jungle App to register your participation.

I already know that there will be 3 new members having their 'Rookie Ride' at this event, so if you see a new face make sure you introduce yourself.

## Annual Memberships – Now Due

In line with our charter, Chapter membership falls due on 1<sup>st</sup> December. You can pay your renewal through the Member Jungle App, online at our webpage (log in and navigate to membership/renew), or at the AGM.

This year we are offering a **one-off Value Pack of \$60 to all renewing members** that will include a subsidised Official Chapter Shirt (valued at \$90) in addition to your membership renewal (\$35). This is a way of recognizing all members with some of the proceeds from the Rally@Byron.

If you have joined the Chapter since the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 you do not need to renew now, your membership will continue till Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2020. You will however need to pay \$25 to receive the subsidised Official Chapter Shirt.

# Chapter Annual General Meeting Notice

The Chapter Annual General Meeting for 2019 will be held upstairs at the Richmond Hotel on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 1.00pm, following the Toy Run

Attend the Toy Run, head over to the pub for lunch then pop upstairs for the AGM and find out what is happening in your Chapter.

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations are being sought in writing prior to the day.

Send your nomination (or nominate someone else – with their permission) to [secretary@nnswhogs.com](mailto:secretary@nnswhogs.com) by 5pm Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

Please note that any positions without written nomination will endeavor to be filled from the floor on the day.

The current committee is standing down as all have work, health or family commitments that need our attention now the rally is over.

It is time for members to think about what they want from the Chapter and how they can support those wants over the next 12 months.

Have a look over the various position responsibilities listed further down arrange for the nomination form below to be filled out and returned by 28<sup>th</sup> November.

## **I WANT TO HELP BUT DON'T KNOW WHAT I CAN DO**

Keep in mind that there is H.O.T. (H.O.G. Officer Training) available annually for new and even continuing office bearers.

H.O.T. is announced in Chapter Officer News® and by a direct mail invitation. Dates and registration information are printed and distributed in plenty of time for you to plan a trip to H.O.T. It's very important that primary officers and sponsoring dealers attend this training if at all possible.

You are not alone if you choose the Chapter Officer journey.



**OFFICER NOMINATION FORM**  
Northern NSW H.O.G Chapter AGM

Person Being Nominated:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated Persons HOG No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the Position being Nominated For:

PRIMARY OFFICERS	DISCRETIONARY OFFICERS	
Director	Activities Officer	Editor
Assistant Director	Membership Officer	Webmaster
Treasurer	Ladies of Harley Officer	Quartermaster
Secretary	Head Road Captain	Safety Officer
	Photographer	Historian

Nominated Persons Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination Endorsed by two current NNSWHOG Chapter Members:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ HOG No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ HOG No.: \_\_\_\_\_

## DIRECTOR

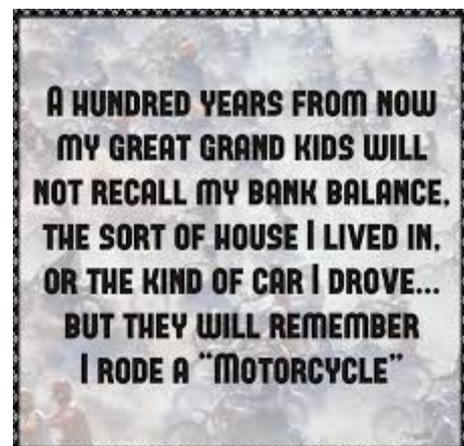
### Responsibilities:

- Works with the Sponsoring Dealer to uphold the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters” and H.O.G. operating policies.
- Assumes overall responsibility for the administration of the H.O.G. chapter and implementation of Harley Owners Group policies.
- Signs annual H.O.G. Chapter Licence Application and ensures it is received in H.O.G. office by 31 December.
- If chapter is incorporated, ensures chapter complies with all corporate state annual filing requirements, if applicable.
- Promotes H.O.G. and the H.O.G. chapter to potential members.
- Conducts chapter meetings.
- Coordinates chapter officer responsibilities.
- Ensures that risk management requirements pertaining to the Chapter, including procurement of necessary release forms, are met for all chapter activities.
- Verifies that chapter T-shirt guidelines are followed.
- Ensures that all trademark requirements are met.
- Ensures that chapter merchandise orders are supplied to the Sponsoring Dealer.
- Ensures Chapter Officer News® is available to all fellow officers.
- Routes H.O.G. correspondence to fellow officers and to membership, as requested.

## ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Assists the Director as requested.
- Promotes H.O.G. and the H.O.G. chapter to potential members.
- Informs chapter members of H.O.G. programs and benefits.
- Conducts new member orientation.
- Act as H.O.G. State Rally Liaison and shall ensure that information regarding H.O.G. State Rallies is communicated to the Chapter membership.



## TREASURER

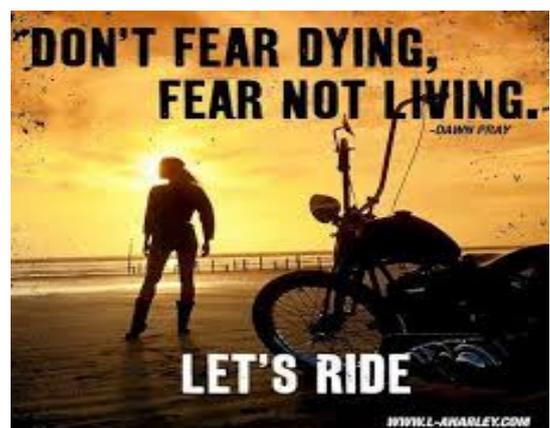
### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Manages all chapter funds.
- Oversees the preparation of chapter federal, state and local tax returns where applicable.
- Reports financial transactions to members monthly.
- Submits the annual financial statement to H.O.G. (by 31 December).
- Ensures that any charitable contributions are managed according to H.O.G. guidelines.
- Maintains a running comparison of current year chapter finances with prior year chapter finances for presentation at Annual Meeting.

## SECRETARY

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Oversees the administrative needs of the chapter: – Keeps minutes of all chapter meetings, including “Annual Chapter Business Meeting”. – Ensures that all insurance requirements are met.
- Oversees Membership Officer position to: – Ensure that chapter members have current H.O.G. memberships. – Enroll new chapter members. – Administers annual chapter member renewal process. – Ensure that the most current officer and chapter address information is on file with H.O.G. – Maintain annual Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release on file for each member.
- Submits the following forms/reports to H.O.G.: – H.O.G. Chapter Licence Application (once a year, by 31 December). – Other reports and forms as requested.
- Obtains, files and maintains records of all insurance forms, including release and injury report forms.
- Administers the annual chapter business meeting.
- Submits corporate state annual report to proper state office (or chapter attorney), if applicable.



## ACTIVITIES OFFICER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and chapter director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Oversees the administration of chapter events.
- Recruits and instructs volunteers for chapter activities.
- Ensures that all insurance concerns and requirements are met for chapter events.
- Oversees the collection of appropriate release forms for chapter events.
- Assists the Director and Secretary with the implementation of the Risk Management program, including procurement of insurance and release forms.

## LADIES OF HARLEY® OFFICER (LOH)

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Encourages women members to take an active part in the chapter.
- Answers questions about the Ladies of Harley program.
- Informs members of LOH benefits and activities.
- Coordinates LOH chapter activities.

Remember: Ladies of Harley is another benefit of membership, not a separate organisation within H.O.G. or local chapters. Ladies of Harley was established to help women become more active members of H.O.G. and their existing local chapter. You cannot open a separate Ladies of Harley chapter nor offer activities exclusive to LOH members. You can, of course, organise events that may be more appealing to the LOH members, but all members must be welcome.

## MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Ensures that chapter members have current H.O.G. memberships.
- Enrolls new members into chapter.
- Administers annual chapter member renewal process.
- Works with chapter secretary to ensure the annual Chapter Membership Enrollment Form and Release is on file for each member.
- Maintain membership changes online in the Chapter Officer Section of [members.hog.com](http://members.hog.com).

## WEBMASTER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Authors, edits and updates the chapter web site.
- Presents any potential web site information to the Sponsoring Dealer for approval prior to use. If the Sponsoring Dealer has a home page, discuss linking the chapter home page to the Dealer’s.
- Includes official chapter name and number on all online material published by the chapter.
- Works with the Chapter Editor to ensure the same information is being communicated to all chapter members and does not rely on the Internet as sole means of chapter communication.
- Organizes and assembles electronic information for the chapter.
- Informs chapter members of chapter activities by including in the chapter web site and approved App.

## EDITOR

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Authors, edits and facilitates the distribution of chapter publications, including the chapter newsletter.
- Presents any chapter publications (written, electronic, oral, etc.) to the Sponsoring Dealer for approval prior to their use.
- Organises and assembles written material for the chapter.
- Submits chapter events on-line at <http://members.hog.com> for listing on the Chapter Events List.
- Submits chapter suggestions to the Chapter Officer News®.
- Informs chapter members of chapter activities by printing them in the chapter newsletter.
- Work with Webmaster to ensure the same information is being communicated to all chapter members.
- Promotes H.O.G.’s fun, family-oriented philosophy in all chapter publications. • Sends a copy of all publications to the H.O.G. office.

The Editor may: Select information from the Chapter Officer News and HOG® magazine and reprint it in the chapter newsletter.



## HEAD ROAD CAPTAIN

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Assists in planning routes for chapter rides.
- Assists in keeping the chapter informed of all H.O.G. programs.
- Educates chapter members about group riding techniques.
- Informs chapter members of any hand signals used by the chapter on group rides.
- Assists in obtaining signed release forms for chapter rides.
- Arranges for a guide and sweep for all organised chapter rides.

## SAFETY OFFICER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Provides Motorcycle Safety Foundation type information to members.
- Educates members about the Safe Rider Skills program.
- Assists the Road Captain in planning routes for chapter rides.
- Assists the Road Captain in educating members about group riding techniques.
- Assists the Road Captain in informing chapter members of any hand signals used by the chapter.
- Assists in the collection of signed release forms.

## PHOTOGRAPHER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Takes and organises chapter photos for chapter publications, HOG® magazine and a chapter history album.
- Submits chapter photo to HOG® magazine when requested.



## QUARTERMASTER

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Assists with ensuring that chapter merchandise orders are supplied to the Sponsoring Dealer.
- Co-ordinates the ordering and supply of Chapter Merchandise.
- Maintains a record of all other items owned by the Chapter, their state of repair.
- Keeps record of equipment usage, who, when and where and ensures the return of same to the Sponsoring Dealer storage area.

## HISTORIAN

### Responsibilities:

- Assists the Sponsoring Dealer and Chapter Director in upholding the “Annual Licence for H.O.G. Chapters”.
- Organises written accounts of chapter activities, records names of chapter officers, notes membership levels, etc.
- Organises photos of chapter activities, officers, members, etc.

### The Historian may want to:

- Work with the chapter Photographer or other members to assemble a collection of photos and materials that document the life of the chapter.
- Create a permanent history of the chapter that can be stored in a “chapter library” at the dealership.
- Assemble historic material that may be utilised in articles for both the chapter publications and HOG® magazine. Suggestions:
- Occasionally, do a one, two or five-year “on this date” feature in the chapter publication.
- Display the chapter history book at as many chapter events as possible.
- Seek articles and photos from chapter members. This adds a variety of perspectives and lightens your workload.
- Publish history submissions in the newsletter and permanently archive them in the chapter history book.
- Be creative; it’s your history.



# Chapter Christmas Gathering

We are celebrating our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and a big year in true H.O.G. style.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

**Ballina RSL Club**

**\$25 per person**

**From 6.00pm**

RSVP: **BY 20<sup>th</sup> November**

On Member Jungle App (preferred option) or you can email [secretary@nnswhogs.com](mailto:secretary@nnswhogs.com) or text Trouble on 0419433095

**PAYMENT: Required by 20<sup>th</sup> November to Chapter Account**

BSB: 062502

ACC: 10431900

REF: Your Last Name & Number of people being paid for (e.g. Payne2)

You get a 2 course sit down meal, Chapter is putting some \$\$\$ on the bar, and entertainment will be provided. Partners, past members and Chapter supporters are more than welcome. Please advise numbers and any dietary requirements with the RSVP and don't forget to book your accommodation.

Accommodation of Choice:

Richmond Motor Inn (20m walk to RSL) - \$129 Double  
- \$135 Twin (2S)  
- \$159 Family (1Q + 2S)

Ballina Heritage Inn (20m walk to RSL) - \$139 Double  
Has undercover parking - \$155Twin (1Q+1S)  
- \$180 Family (1Q+2S)  
- \$275 Apartment - 3 Rooms (2Q+2S)



# ***Ride Rules***

- **Make sure your bike is fuelled up before departure time**
- **Do not pass the road captain without prior permission to do so.**
- **Do not overtake on the left hand side**
- **Ride to your own ability and not others**
- **Ride in staggered formation - not side by side**
- **Indicate and use “cross over manoeuvre” to fill gaps when they occur**
- **Ride in the same lane as the Road Captain in a multi-lane highway**
- **Always maintain a safe distance from the rider in front of you**
- **A riders briefing will be held prior to departure**
- **On winding or narrow roads staggered formation is not advised**
  - **use correct riding style for cornering but leave plenty of room between bikes for braking**
- **All riders must have a current applicable license**