

The Stars and Pipes

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Fairfax Harley Owners Group



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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Hello again and welcome back to the most earnest, breezy and, I hope, fun amateur Harley Owners Group newsletter on the East Coast! Like a goofy puppy dog, we're just here to please and amuse you.

We had a monthly officers' meeting, and in a decision that will surely reverberate throughout all future F-HOG officer groups - a decision that not only stands for our time, but *all* time - it was unanimously decided that the decision to use 10 point font or 12 point font in this newsletter is left up to me. So I'll continue to use 10 point as it gives me added flexibility in formatting pages with text.

Another topic that came up was classified ads. Do you have something to sell? Let me know and I'll run it here, free of charge. "editor@fairfaxhog.com," that's me.

By now you've heard the news about Kevin Hardy leaving Patriot Harley-Davidson as our liaison; he will certainly be missed! Ben Pellowe will be taking over his responsibilities until someone else is assigned. We'll still be seeing Kevin on rides, however, so wish him well!

I took some rides in August. Do you want to see the videos? [Manassas and Middleburg... and a fabric shop. Did a parade in Fairfax for a 95 year-old World War II, Korea and Vietnam vet](#); that was cool. Did [a HOGS ride](#).

I was at a diner on a Friday ride when I encountered a couple of F-HOGs I didn't know. When I revealed that I was the newsletter editor they gave me some nice compliments about this publication. "We like the humor," they said. What humor? *I am always in deadly earnest.*

"More Roads to Harley-Davidson," the "Rewire" and the "Hardwire": For those of you interested in corporate news [here's a relevant Revzilla article](#) about the direction the Motor Company is headed. How accurate is it all? I don't know. I'm doing less time thinking about corporate stuff and more time

thinking about retirement, to be honest... But I know Harley-Davidson, like Hostess Twinkies, Coke and Chevy, will always be with us.

Elsewhere in this issue: Joe answers more of my nettlesome questions, we review 1950s Harley ads, there's a look at Progressive Insurance ad campaigns (*no endorsement by F-HOG is implied*, by the way), I offer another grueling puzzle, we examine Servi-Cars, I do a film review and there's the usual flotsam and jetsam. Enjoy!



Above: From J.D. Morrisette's garage. Cool!

Wes

COVER: I like the compass on the old ad. *Ride in the place where you live/Now ride north/Think about direction/Wonder why you haven't now...* Do you suppose the lass occasionally yells, "Pull over to a gas station and ask for directions! We're lost!" Being lost on a Harley is often the point of motorcycling, isn't it?

Why would any male who wasn't required to wear a tie wear one while riding a motorcycle? I just don't get it. But people back in the day did that. You see it in old movies all the time. This is how you dress for motorcycling, this is how you dress for going to the movies, that's how you dress to take the train, if you're on a boat you wear a cap with a floatation ring and rope, etc. We don't do that anymore. It's all ball caps and tee shirts.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Hello FHOG Members,

Unbelievably, we are rounding the corner to Fall and soon to the fourth quarter of 2020! I know I, for one, would like a do-over for the first eight months of this year. I bet most, if not all of you, are with me on that. I hope everyone is doing well and following safe practices.

This time of year still provides many opportunities to get out and ride. F-HOG is a 12-month, 365-day riding chapter. Be sure to check our Facebook page and our website for upcoming rides and events. Take advantage of the beautiful weather that is Virginia in the autumn. Our activities officers are always available to help any member plan a ride or an event so don't hesitate to reach out.

Dues for 2020 MUST be paid by the September 11th Chapter meeting. If not paid by then, your "membership since" date will be reset to the new date that your membership is renewed. This is a Mother HOG procedure to which we will strictly adhere. The chapter has been very flexible this year concerning renewals. Due to COVID-19, the initial deadline was pushed back several months. Notices, communication, directions and offers of training on how to renew have been constant. Do not let your status fall behind. The same renewal process will be followed for 2021 with the exception of the deadline reverting back to March 31st.

There has been much conversation regarding our Annual Holiday Celebration held in January. We are currently seeking a BOSS HOG. Any member or members who would like to take the lead for this event, please track me down and share your ideas. Keep in mind, we need to follow COVID procedures for all activities.

In January, 2021, I will begin my final year as your director. Each year, the director reviews his/her supporting officers. Core officers (director, assistant director, treasurer and secretary) are appointed for the original two-year term of the director. Other officers serve for one year and may or may not be asked to stay aboard for the second year. Of course, since we are all volunteers, an officer has the option to step down at any time. In the event of a vacancy, another member is appointed in his or her place. As we look ahead to 2021, we need to be prepared to pass the officer opportunity to other members. If you have an interest in stepping into an officer role, or to find out more of what's involved, grab any one of us and we will fill you in.

Please note: our September Chapter Meeting will be held on Friday, September 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. followed by The



"Ride to Remember." We will have a short meeting and then depart for the Pentagon Memorial at 7:30. We arrive at the Pentagon at 8:00 to pay our respects to the victims from high-jacked American Airlines Flight 77. This is an annual ride and each time it is as moving as the one before. I encourage anyone who has never attended to do so. It is a beautiful memorial, a nice ride, and a reminder of the uncertainty of our lives. Especially in the current state of our nation it is important to be reminded that we must remain ever vigilant and we will never forget.

Until next time . . . "We Ride as One"

Ray

Ray,

Perhaps you can forward this to the HOG group via email. We find word of mouth is the best way to find employees in the

motorcycle world. Running an ad usually attracts people but very few actually have motorcycling experience or even a license to ride.

We are looking for the following positions:

Full time/Part time technicians. Would need experience working on bikes. Pay is hourly plus commission.

Full time/part time Porter / photographer / Website maintenance. This job entails moving motorcycles around the dealership, to and from the warehouse daily for merchandising purposes. Likely washing bikes in our interior wash bay. Using personal smart phone to photograph motorcycles and through an app uploading those photos to our website. We can of course train on this just need a reasonable understanding of how to use smart phone apps and basic website point and click. This would pay hourly plus commission.

Full time / part time motorcycles sales person. Greeting and cultivating clients for retail bike sales. Pay is hourly plus commissions.

Any resumes can be sent to aaronspicer@sheehy.com, benpellowe@patriodhd.com or they can just come into the store and ask for Randy or Ben.

Aaron J Spicer, Executive General Manager

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A Message from your Regional Manager

I sincerely hope you and your chapter members have spent the summer figuring out ways to get out riding and enjoying saddle time on your motorcycles. In Wisconsin we have been putting miles on while enjoying some very warm weather and fresh air. Remember we all joined H.O.G. to ride, whether in groups or solo, because riding motorcycles brings us joy and helps to clear the mind of all the trouble and strife in our lives.

To those chapters that have taken the bull by the horns and figured out how to do rides for all members and just get people out there riding, we applaud you. You shifted your focus from meetings and group riding only and used FB posts of destination rides, scavenger hunts, scenic sights, dealer visits, overnight trips, etc. Thank you!

We continue to get lots of questions related to holding meetings, rides, etc. in the on-going virus environment. Follow Federal, State, Local and Dealer guidance related to all your activities and you will be in the clear. Get out and ride if you can, by yourself, small groups, whatever you can. Keep your members engaged via social media and get them out riding.

I look forward to getting back on the road with all of you. Thank you for all you do for H.O.G. and your chapters!



PETE SCHWAB

H.O.G. Regional Manager - Southeast/West

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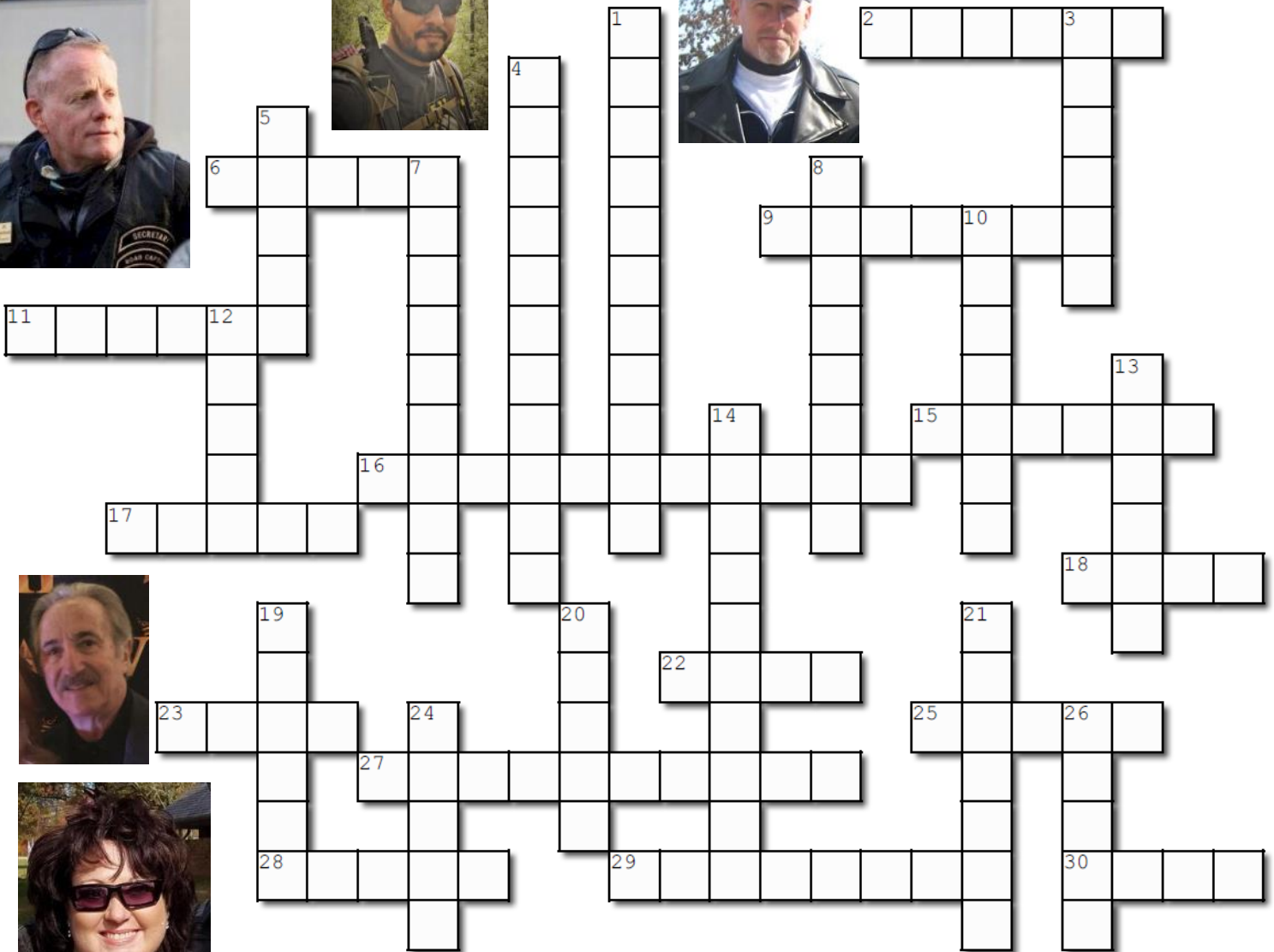
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Contact membership@fairfaxhog.com for more information

Harley Puzzle #2



Across

2. Terminator's ride
6. Safety? Fuhgeddaboutit
9. Person in charge
11. HOGs moneyman
15. Fearless leader
16. 2020 BINGO prize
17. H-D CEO
18. Where patches go
22. Piston cooling
23. Harley oil
25. Purple trike
27. They go up before rides
28. Exhaust
29. Eagle sound
30. Harley audio

Down

1. Interstate biker
3. Harley color
4. Least expensive trike
5. Dealership rep
7. FHOG oracle
8. Webmaster
10. Takes photos
12. Membership lass
13. Popular HOGs models
14. Last rider
19. OEM tires
20. Assists Ray
21. Wind deflection
24. What we do
26. Big round cover

Hey, Joe

by Joe Livingood and Wes Clark

Hey Joe... Obviously you're a Harley buff like the rest of us, but if you had to pick another make of bike what would you select and why? It would definitely be a BMW, as I've ridden several and they handle like nobody's business. They are a little tough for a tall person like myself to ride for longer distances, but with a few modifications I'm sure I could adapt. BMWs are reliable and have a good dealer network for parts and repairs.

How often do you go riding solo? Do you prefer this to group rides or not? I ride solo about 50% of the time as I'll ride to work, blow off some steam and run around Great Falls in the afternoon or head up to my cabin in Pennsylvania and cut the grass. I enjoy riding alone as it allows me time to clear my head and focus on myself and not be worried about other riders and all the responsibilities of leading or participating in a group ride. It also allows me a chance to push myself and continually develop my riding skills.

Is there something about riding to a destination you've ridden to a hundred times before (solo) as a group that transforms it or makes it better? Why? Group riding always draws more attention, especially when going to a destination (park, battlefield, restaurant or other location). People love to see larger groups and always wonder, "Where are they going? What's this ride for? How many bikes are there in your group?" When you pull up by yourself, you're just a nobody, but when you pull up as group... now, that's an attention-grabber!

What is your favorite thing about a group ride? What is your least favorite thing about a group ride? Favorite Part: Love getting a group from point A to point B safely and with some awesome twisties and sites along the way. Least Favorite Part: I struggle trying to balance all the egos, emotions and riding preferences of a large group (a.k.a. you can't please everyone).

Who is the most celebrated or inspirational biker/motorcyclist you've ever ridden with and why? Loudoun County & Metro Washington Airport Authority Motor Unit Officers. All of these men and women ride every day for a living, and are the best riders/teachers/instructors I've ever met. I've ridden with them through practice rodeo competition cone courses, in parade formation and in on-duty standard side-by-side patrol formations.

My first months of riding a motorcycle were about 75% fear and 25% exhilaration. Now it's about 50% wariness and 50%

thrill. What's the ratio for you? I think most riders travel a similar path to the one you've just described. At first you are terrified and hold on those handlebars as if your life depended on it (BTW, your life *does* depend on it). After a few thousand miles, you start to become more comfortable with riding, and you actually enjoy the ride instead of being fearful. Now when I ride, I'm always asking myself the "what if" question: What if that car pulls out? What if that guy drifts over while on his cell phone? What if that minivan runs the stop sign? What if that debris falls out of the pickup truck in front of me? I find that I'm still able to enjoy the ride, but I'm mentally ready for some of the situations we encounter every time we get on a ride.

If you could pick any color combination for a motorcycle - a custom paint job - what would it look like? Good question, as I think it changes over time and by the type of motorcycle you ride. I'm pretty conservative in my color choices so I like the grey and black mixed in with a little red or orange. Nothing too crazy, but not one color, either. My first Harley was an anniversary edition that had black and a copper color paint scheme that looked really good, but what looked good on that bike would not look good on my current Ultra Limited. Picking a color of your bike is a uniquely personal decision, and you know what you like and don't... it's that simple.

What would you say is the number one most important safety advice tip you could give in one sentence and why? "What if _____?"



Does being a Road Captain add stress and some worry to a ride and does this get in the way of your enjoyment? Or have you been doing it so long that you're used to it? It's not as much stress as it is responsibility. As a Road Captain you are responsible for the safety of the entire group. There are two main types of motorcycle riders: (1) leaders, (2) followers. I've always been a leader,

planning the ride, the lunch, the destination and stops along the way. Most Road Captains are hard wired to do this as they enjoy leading a group. Followers/JAFO (Just Another Flipping Observer) love to participate in group rides, but don't want to be the person leading the group. Both types are needed for any group ride as you need someone to lead the group, and a group for someone to lead.

Let's face it, a lot of us are RUBs (Rich Urban Biker). Not really the working man/blue collar/gritty type that people associate with Harley ownership. I like having some money so it doesn't bug me, but do you think being called a RUB is a slight? I personally don't think most Harley riders are RUBs as to me that term only applies to the guy or gal that has a Harley sitting in the garage and they put less than 250 miles a year on it. A motorcycle is meant to be ridden, and that's what FHOOG does.

Speaking of that... let's go ride!

SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

**BEGINNER
RIDERS**



**SHORT DISTANCE
SCENIC DRIVE
SLOW SPEED**

- KSU 10:00 PHD
- Scenic route thru
 - GMU
 - Clifton
 - Fountainhead Park
- Lunch at Los Toltecos
5614 Ox Road, Fairfax
lostoltecosrestaurant.com
- Return to PHD
 - Total Miles (45)

Boss Hogs:

Kurt & Holli Hurst
okhurst17@gmail.com
(703) 731-1967

FAIRFAX CHAPTER

9739 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22031

Contact Activities Hotline For Updates: (703) 352-0516

Wet & Wild



On September 13th come enjoy great riding with lots of twistys, great food and wicked times. A full day of riding consisting of a +180 mile ride covering some of the best Harley backroads Virginia has to offer. We will twist and turn through the curvy mountain roads along the Shenandoah River.

Lunch will be at The Gathering Grounds in Luray Virginia
Registration 09:00 Bob Evans, 14050 Thunderbolt Pl, Chantilly, VA 20151
(Breakfast at 8:00 ~ KU 09:30)



For more information:

Boss HOG ~ Scott Blevins / scottie.blevinz@gmail.com 703.474.9993

Chapter HOTLINE: 703.352.0516
Call for latest ride information



Harley Owners Group
Fairfax VA Chapter # 3698

SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

Please Join Us for a **Special Ride to Remember** September 11th with the Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group **Friday, September 11, 2020**

Arrive at Patriot Harley-Davidson 6:45 PM, Short meeting 7:00 PM,
Depart to Pentagon 7:30 PM, Arrive at the Pentagon at 8:00 PM



We will depart the dealership (9739 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax, VA) and ride arriving at the Pentagon Memorial at 8:00 PM to honor those that were on American Airlines Flight 77 that departed Dulles International Airport bound for Los Angeles. The flight was hijacked and crashed, loaded with 10,000 gallons of fuel, into the west side of the Pentagon taking the lives of Passengers, Crew and Pentagon Employees.

Please bring a friend with you on Friday night to join us and **Ride to Remember** so we **NEVER FORGET!**

Fairfax H.O.G. Activities Hotline: 703-352-0516

Questions – Contact BOSS HOG
Cliff Wilke at CAWilke@USA.NET

Friends Helping Friends



Sunday September 13th, 2020

Meeting: Patriot Harley Davidson
Start Time: 9:00AM
Boss HOG: Larry Zabel firstbreak12@gmail.com
Cancellation Hotline: 703-352-0516

SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

Fairfax Harley Owners' Group SEPTEMBER 18TH TGIF RIDE

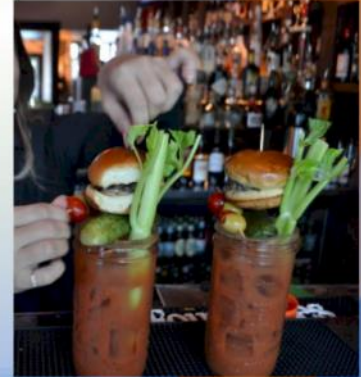


Join Us Friday for this month's TGIF RIDE!
Lunch at **burgers.beer.burbon** at One Loudon.

Meet us at Patriot Harley-Davidson at 10:00 for a Destination, Closed Ride.



Miles of leisurely
back roads
to
burgers.beer.burbon
20416 Exchange St
Ashburn, VA 20147
703-723-2900



Boss Hogs -- Steve Fred, stevefred@aol.com; 703-598-2869
Contact the Activities Hotline for the latest info at: 703-352-0516

The Alan Florkowski Memorial Ride to the Coney Island Cyclone!!! September 19, 2020



DON'T FORGET
TO BRING YOUR
EZ-PASS!



Fairfax VA HOG closed ride open only to
current chapter members and their
guests.

**All bikes depart Patriot H-D at 6:00 a.m. for
a 250-mile ride to Brooklyn, NY and return
to Patriot H-D**

Info contact emurphy@rdsdc.com Hotline 703-352-0516
for the latest info.

Boss Hogs: Herb Mannis and Ed Murphy 703-244-1972



Eat Hot Dogs & French Fries at the
Original Nathan's Famous in
Coney Island!



First time ever
DESSERT STOP
at Royal Crown
Bakery, Staten
Island, NY

SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

Mt. Weather Ride

In 1979, the US government established the Mount Weather Emergency Operations Center across approx. 450 acres of Loudoun and Clarke counties in Virginia.

In 2020, degenerates from a local motorcycle enthusiast group drove by it on their way to enjoy some great home cooking.

This is their story.....

What: *Mt. Weather Ride – 110 miles – approx. 5h ours.*

Where: PHD to Sky Meadows SP, north thru Mt. Weather, east to Tammy's Diner for lunch (CASH ONLY), then back to PHD.

When: September 20, 2020: Meet @ 9am.

Why:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R40zvj4MUo4>

Note: We will not actually be visiting the facility, but simply driving by it. Though it is very interesting, it's not worth delaying the ingestion of good food.



Boss Hog: Derrick Gonzales, 785-608-9317

bewareofthefhog@gmail.com

FHOG Cancellation Line: 703-352-0516



Harley Owners Group
Fairfax VA Chapter # 3698

[Click here for the Mt. Weather YouTube video](#)

Asphalt Roller Coaster Ride Sunday, September 27



Meet at [IHOP, 13804 Metrotech Dr, Chantilly, VA 20151](#)

Kick Stands Up at 9:30 AM (8:30 AM for breakfast)

Warning: This ride is 211 miles of challenging/aggressive twists and turns!

Boss Hog - Jack Causa (703.626.2248)

Cancellation hotline: 703-352-0516



SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

FHOG PICNIC

SEPT. 26, 2020

Homemade
Desserts



Biker
Games

Where: 11820 Chapel Rd. Clifton, VA 20124 (Morrissette Residence)

When: Sept 26th, 11 AM to 3 PM

Price - \$15 Sold at August and Sept Chapter Meeting or contact Barb

Boss Hog - Barb Causa (703.405.3873) barbachandler@yahoo.com

Cancellation hotline: 703-352-0516



Note: The September 11th Chapter Meeting/Ride is the LAST opportunity to give Barb Causa a payment check!

There is no payment at the door for this event. Food is being ordered and we must have an accurate count!



Right: The August 21st TGIF ride participants assembled in the Patriot Harley-Davidson parking lot.



SEPTEMBER RIDES AND EVENTS!

Adopt-A-Spot



Location: Patriot Harley Davidson
Date: October 1, 2020
Start Time: 8:00AM
Boss HOG: Johnny Boaz
Hotline: 703-352-0516



Hi! It's me, Bambi!
Don't forget: September
is the beginning of fall mating
season for deer. So me and
my pals will be out and about.

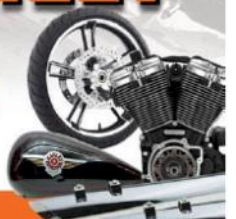
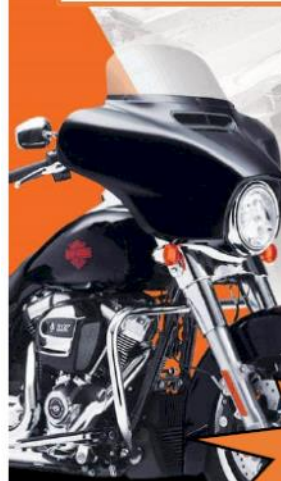
See you on the road!



Saturday October 3, 2020

HAVE EXTRA MOTORCYCLE PARTS?

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Harley
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9AM - 2PM

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fhogdirector@gmail.com
703-967-5136

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Crozet Pizza Ride! (7/25/20)



Left: Arrival in Crozet, VA
Above: We ride - we loiter.
Below: Assemble the Harleys!
Below left: Mmmmmmm... pizza.
Below right: Relax in the shade.



Adopt a Spot! (8/1/20)



Left:: Kurt and Holli Hurst and Derrick Gonzales at the Clifton, VA "Bikes and Breakfast," 9 August 2020.

I don't know why the table is glowing. Maybe that can of Coke is radioactive or it's Holli's sunny personality.



Monthly Chaper Meeting, 8/12. Look how good we're being about masks - unlike those scofflaws at Sturgis...

Right: Dude. That's not how you wear a face mask.



VESTED INTEREST: DERRICK GONZALES

An examination of the various vests worn by F-HOGs—
and what the patches signify. Send in a photo of yours!



See next page

DERRICK'S VEST

1. Gadsden Flag - Most view it as a symbol of ultra-patriotism, civil liberties, and resistance to universal government. Though I have strong sentiments toward these, this is not why I have it on my vest. The Gadsden Flag is technically the first flag of the United States, and is often associated with the origin of the Marine Corps. However, one little known fact of the flag is that it was the personal standard of Commodore Esek Hopkins, the first commander of the Continental Navy, in 1775. As the Continental Navy, at the time, was used as coastal interceptors, it's not hard to see the evolution from it to the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service, and eventually becoming the U.S. Coast Guard.

2. Coast Guard Aircrew Wings - Over 1,000 flight hours conducting law enforcement, migrant interdiction, and search-and-rescue patrols in a HU-25D Falcon.

3. Coast Guard ODU nameplate

4. "Dead Man's Hand" - colloquially known as the hand of cards Wild Bill Hickok was holding when he was killed during a card game. Also a good reminder to never become complacent when on a motorcycle.

5. Swallows - Sailor superstition. Came about during the Elizabethan Age of Discovery to signify various meanings throughout history. Contemporarily, they are used to signify a certain distance of sea travel completed. So, for every 5,000 nautical miles traveled, a sailor gets a swallow. Hence, the more swallows a sailor has the more experienced he is on the sea. However, this is not why I have them on my vest (no way did I ever come close to getting just one!) They reside on my vest due to other interpretations of their meaning:

a. A sailor gets a swallow when he embarks on a long journey, and only receive another when he returns. Having been on many long journeys while in the military, I consider myself blessed that I was able to return when so many others did not. I wear these to honor those who pushed off from the pier but never returned.

b. When a sailor's time comes, the swallows will carry his soul to Heaven. The desire for such a meaning is obvious on the sea, but inherently carries similar meaning when on a motorcycle.

c. My mother's side comes from Europe, and England specifically. Whereas the majority of European nations had (and have) a continentalist perspective, England has always been a seagoing society. It is in my blood to embark upon the unknown. By wearing the swallows, I honor my ancestors who took to the seas as I did.

6. Pirate patch - Being in the Coast Guard automatically puts you in rivalry with the Navy - regardless of nationality. Therefore, since Coasties are known as "Puddle Pirates" by our better-funded comrades, it's only fitting that I make it my own. Not to mention that many actual pirates in the Golden Age of Piracy were of English descent, and since I'm also of English descent, I wear it more as a badge of honor rather than the derogatory nature as it was intended.



7. POW/MIA - No explanation necessary.

8. Blood Type - Always good to have readily available, regardless of activity.

9. U.S. Veteran - Though I left the service, it will never leave me.

10. Dia de Muertos (calavera) skull - These skulls are used as *ofrendas* (offering) during the Mexican Day of the Dead to honor those family members who have passed onto the other side. Like the jazz funerals of the South, Dia de Muertos is a time for celebration rather than mourning. The skull represents not only my Mexican heritage (on my father's side), but also a message that, should something happen to me while on a motorcycle, I do not regret it as I

was celebrating life itself. Also, motorcycle vests are known for having skulls, so this is my take on it!

11. Desperado patch - This is a call out to my Mestizo heritage and those ancestors who plied their trade, either legally or illegally, across the frontier and American Southwest.

12. Same as #6.

13. Aztec Sun Stone - Another call out to my Hispanic, specifically Aztec, heritage. The stone itself is less of a calendar and more of a tool of prophecy. It has been interpreted to be a message, or warning, that the current era (Fifth Sun, circa 1400s B.C.E.) is the final era and will result in global cataclysm. I wear it on the back of my vest to signify the enormous weight of the world that all bikers are attempting to outrun.

What a
Honey!

1950s HARLEY ADS

By Wes



THE NEW 1951 HARLEY-DAVIDSON *HYDRA-GLIDE*®

SLEEK, smooth and beautiful. And what a performer. Takes off like a scared rabbit. Snuggles to the road like a clinging vine. Breezes over hills like a bird. Whisks you over rough spots with cloud-like ease ... brings you thrill after thrill as you take in exciting race meets, hillclimbs, gypsy

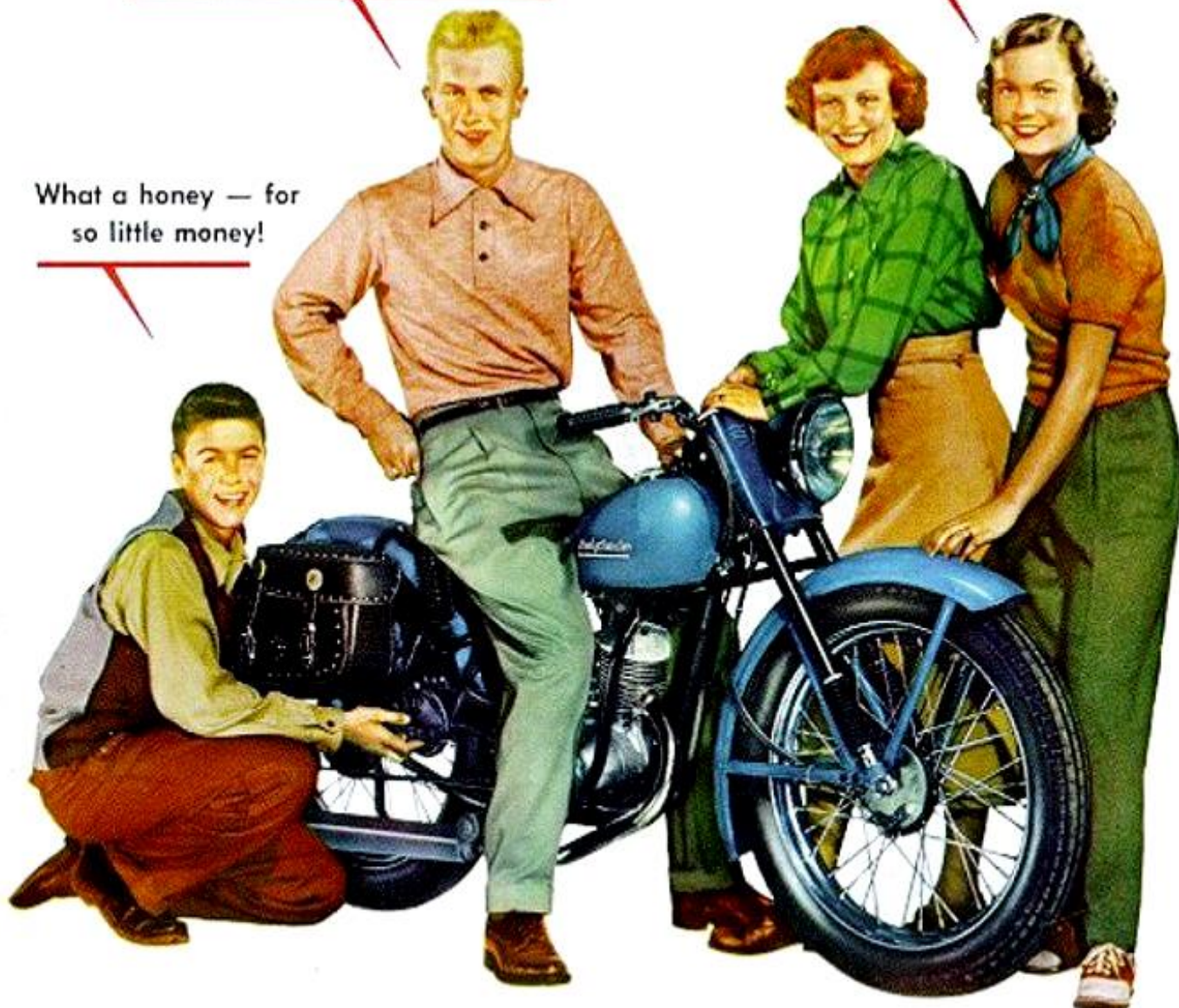
tours, sightseeing runs and other exclusive motorcycling fun events. You've never really been places and seen things until you've ridden *this* dazzler! Every moment in the saddle is fascinating. Every trip brings new adventures and new companionships. See your dealer today. Mail the coupon now.

"What a Honey!" It's November, 1950, and the leering fellow with the weird sailboat shirt or sweater isn't just thinking about how sweet the motorcycle is. I mean, come on. There are enough words in the ad copy that can be taken two ways to convince me that this was meant to work on more than face value. Or - maybe I'm all wrong about this. Maybe this was entirely meant to be taken at face value and snuggles and the *performer* is just about the bike. What do YOU think?

It's easy to ride.
I learned in just a few minutes.

I've got one, too — all the
guys and gals are getting them!

What a honey — for
so little money!



Get in on the good times Now!

**THE WHOLE OUTDOORS IS YOUR PLAYGROUND...
WITH A HARLEY-DAVIDSON 125**

Again with the "honey." Here's a 1950s ad clearly designed for the young set - for the kind of young men who don't mind their long pointy collars whipping the sides of their faces pulp red in the slipstream, and for the kind of young, pants-wearing lass who's willing to be a first adopter ("I've got one, too"). All the guys and gals are getting them. I can hear her mother: "If somebody told you to jump off a cliff, would you do that, too?" We can't be sure because of the long sleeves, but I promise: there are no tattoos among this bunch.



You'll always have lots of fun
with a
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Now it's February, 1951, and a vaguely-Italianate guy has got it workin' with a vaguely-Italianate gal. (This was the era of Sophia Loren and Gina Lollobrigida, don't forget.) It almost looks like they're popping a wheelie. Just in case the two riders on that big v-twin don't look like they're having enough fun, check out the vignettes in the background - especially the guy and gal crawling through what looks like gigantic clothes dryer ducting. Or rolling in barrels, I'm not sure which. Laugh if you must, but members of Hells Angels chapters still do this for fun at get togethers.

Okay - I kid.

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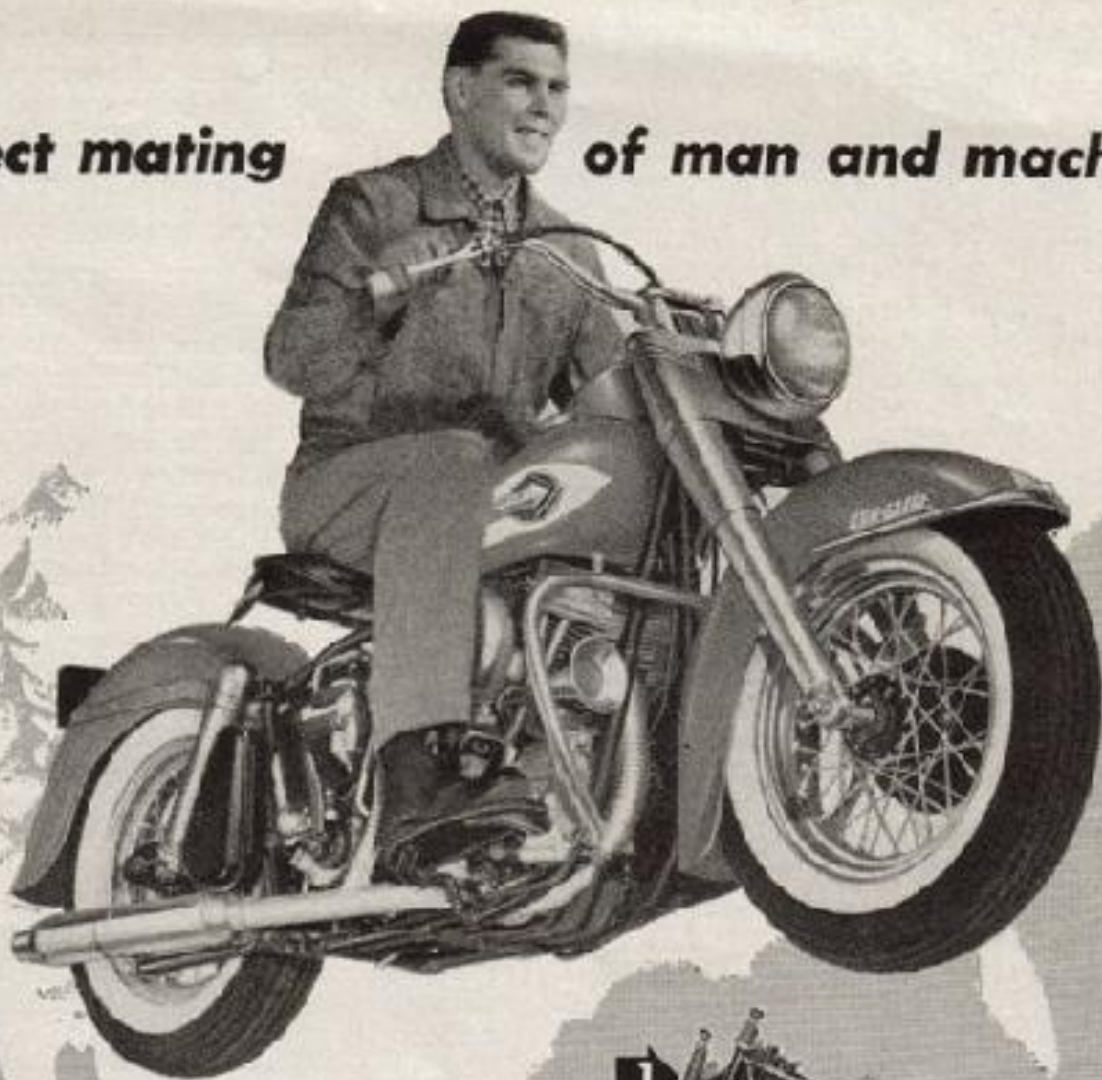


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She is just WAY too excited here.

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3

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The Mating of Man and Machine. Since it's January 1959 we're not talking about Kraftwerk, Cybermen or the Borg. We're talking... CREW CUTS. That flattop hair style was all the rage back then for men and boys (think astronauts). I had a crew cut from 1959 to about 1968, when I finally convinced my mother that I wanted to look like John Lennon and not George Gobel.

Vintage Harley: Servi-Cars!

Have you ever seen the television mini-series *Harley and the Davidsons* (2016)? It's entertaining and gives the viewer a good overview of the very earliest years of the Motor Company. At one point, during the Great Depression, the company is struggling and is approached by the Ford Motor Company to develop a three-wheeled vehicle prototype for commercial use (at Harley's expense) that would be labeled as a Ford. The company guaranteed Harley-Davidson a procurement of 30,000 vehicles, which would play an important part to keep H-D afloat during the lean years. Ultimately Harley-Davidson opted to not do business with Ford, and released the vehicle, called a Servi-Car, as a Harley product. It was a runaway success.

The Servi-Car was introduced in 1932 and was built until 1973, an impressive 41-year production life. Intended as a utility vehicle for small businesses and mobile vendors, it became especially popular with police forces, some of whom used them into the 1990s!

From the Wikipedia article: "The Servi-Car used variations of Harley-Davidson's 45 cubic inch flathead. From 1932 to 1936, the Servi-Car used the engine from the solo R model. It was changed in 1937 to the engine used in the W model, which differed mainly in having a recirculating oil system instead of the constant-loss system of the R. The 'W' flathead engine continued until the end of production in 1973, despite the 'W' solo series being replaced by the 'K'

series in 1952. An electric starter became available on the Servi-Car in 1964, making it the first civilian Harley with an electric starter, one year before the debut of the Electra Glide motorcycle."

The brake design evolution is also interesting. Once again, from the Wikipedia article: "As introduced, the Servi-Car had a drum brake on the front wheel and another drum brake

inside the rear axle housing, decelerating both rear wheels. In 1937, the braking system was upgraded to have a drum brake on each wheel. A hydraulic rear brake system was introduced in 1951. The very last Servi-Cars, built late in their last model year, would have disc brakes on all three wheels." (Hooray!)

I think Servi-Cars are cool and I would like to ride one someday and pretend I'm delivering milk or traffic tickets. - Wes



I like the paint on this one!



1949 model.

Armed for Bear

"I'd almost as soon go huntin' without a rifle as without my Harley-Davidson. This trip I sure needed the gun, because Mr. Bear and I met at close quarters."

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Above and below: Before the Servi-Car you had to haul your dead bears and fish using a sidecar attached to your Harley!

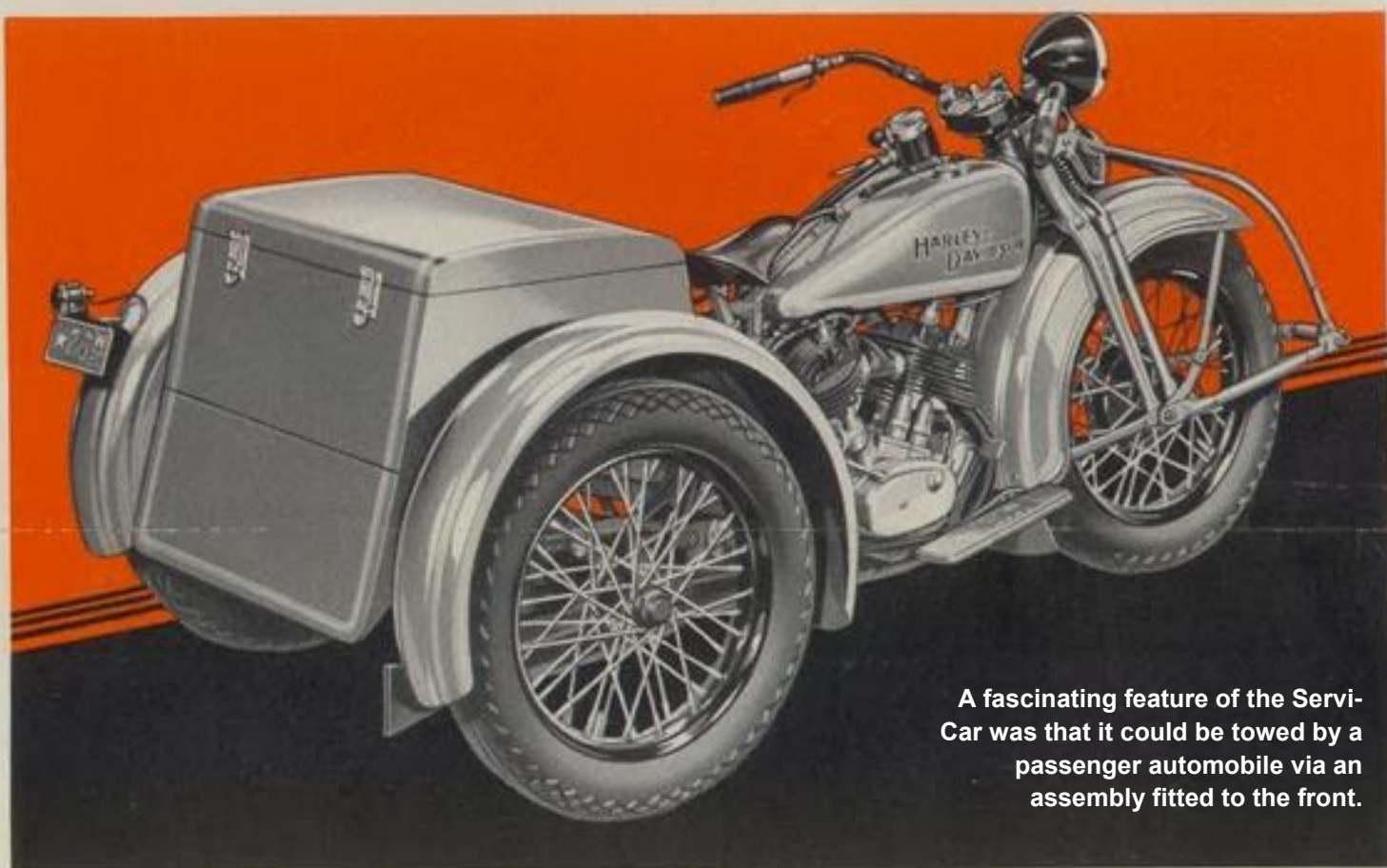


A 1958 model in coral paint!





HARLEY-DAVIDSON SERVI-CAR



A fascinating feature of the Servi-Car was that it could be towed by a passenger automobile via an assembly fitted to the front.

Harley-Davidson Model "G" Servi-Car is the ideal unit for quick, economical pick-up and delivery of customers' cars. Constructed especially for this purpose, it is not only fast through traffic, easy to handle and capable of being driven by anyone, but it is attractive and efficient in appearance. Driven to the customer's home or office at an operating cost of a few cents, it is attached to the bumper of the car to be picked up and is towed back to your service department. A special attachment for towing is a part of the Servi-Car and

has been so designed that the unit tows perfectly and without any attention on the part of the driver of the automobile.

The smart crown fenders and rounded steel box give the unit an attention compelling appearance of inestimable advertising value. The tow-bar is carried in the box when not in use and there is also ample space for tools, battery, etc., in this rear compartment. A seat to carry an extra man and a carrier attaching to the body for the delivery of an automobile tire can be obtained at slight additional cost.



FILM REVIEW

by Wes Clark

***Harley and the Davidsons*, a TV mini-series broadcast in 2016 starring Bug Hall (remember when he was Alfalfa in that 1990s *Little Rascals* movie?), Michael Huisman, Robert Aramayo and Annie Read. Directed by Ciaran Donnelly and Stephen Kay. About 180 minutes. Available via Netflix DVD.**

The plot, from the Discovery Channel: "Based on a true story, *Harley and the Davidsons* charts the birth of this iconic bike during a time of great social and technological change beginning at the turn of the 20th century. Walter, Arthur and Bill risked their entire fortune and livelihood to launch the budding enterprise. Each of these men faced very different challenges, but it was the motorcycle that united their dreams and ambitions. Walter, Arthur, and Bill cemented Harley-Davidson's reputation as a builder of bikes that go anywhere, can ride hard and ignore all the rules. It's a legacy that has endured over 100 years - and at the heart of the brand and its loyal riders."

I was a Civil War historical reenactor (one of those guys running around in summer wearing multiple layers of navy blue wool playing weekend soldier), and, in general, we are a very hard bunch to please when it comes to movies and television. Reenactors require 100% authenticity, and we love to tear apart so-called historical productions for anachronisms - all of which makes us a real pain to watch television with! But, I have to admit, I enjoyed this production. Taken as drama it is quite watchable. Taken as history, well, it has some flaws. The [wikipedia entry](#) for this production cites some errors:

- The cutthroat rivalry between Harley-Davidson and Indian is overplayed.
- Some of the races, as depicted, never happened.
- Sport racer Eddie Hasha's death, as depicted, is incorrect.
- The number of motorcycles H-D and Indian provided for the U.S. Government in World War II is incorrect. In actuality, Indian provided more bikes than did Harley.
- The 1936 EL was not really introduced in an outlaw race, but in a hotel.



- Inventor Bill Harley proudly names his innovative new engine the Knucklehead, but in reality it was named that later on by mechanics.

- I have my doubts that the mannish female ace motorcyclist really existed as portrayed. I think she's in there as an empowerment character.

- Viewers will note the omnipresence of old-tyme Budweiser advertisements everywhere. Obviously, Anheuser-Busch underwrote the production of this mini-series.

But who cares about all that? It's dramatic entertainment, not dry history, and gives Harley buffs three fun hours. It's also an interesting look at the creative American genius that was William S. Harley. (Fun fact: In the very early days Harley and Davidson received some help from Ole Evinrude of outboard motor fame.)

What did Harley-Davidson the company think of this production? From wikipedia: "Bill Davidson, great-grandson of the original founders, and Bill Jackson, head of the company archives at the Harley-Davidson Museum, commended the producers' efforts in recreating the motorcycles and the era, saying 'they really did their homework,' but noted William A. Davidson's reduced role in the story despite the latter being one of the key founders."

How successful was this production? It did pretty well. It had an average of 4.4 million viewers across its three nights, making this the most watched single-network cable miniseries in 3.5 years.

So if you somehow managed to not see *Harley and the Davidsons*, give it a watch. This production is well worth your time!



Pondering a very early prototype model.

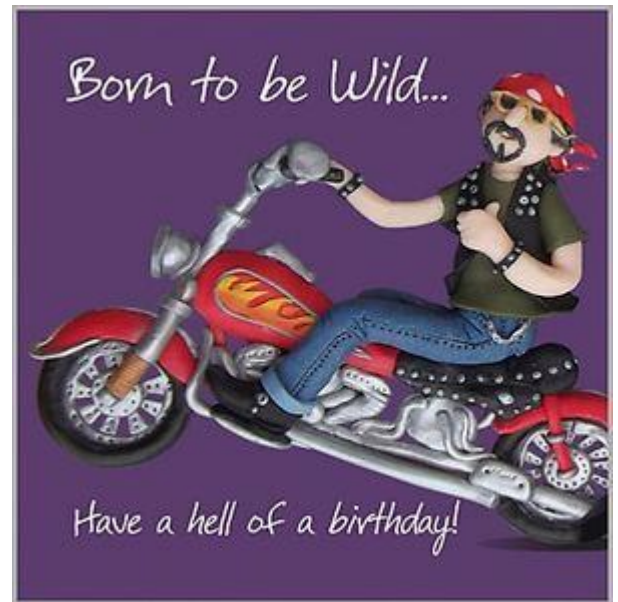


Walter Davidson having a blast on the first Knucklehead



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Puzzle Key



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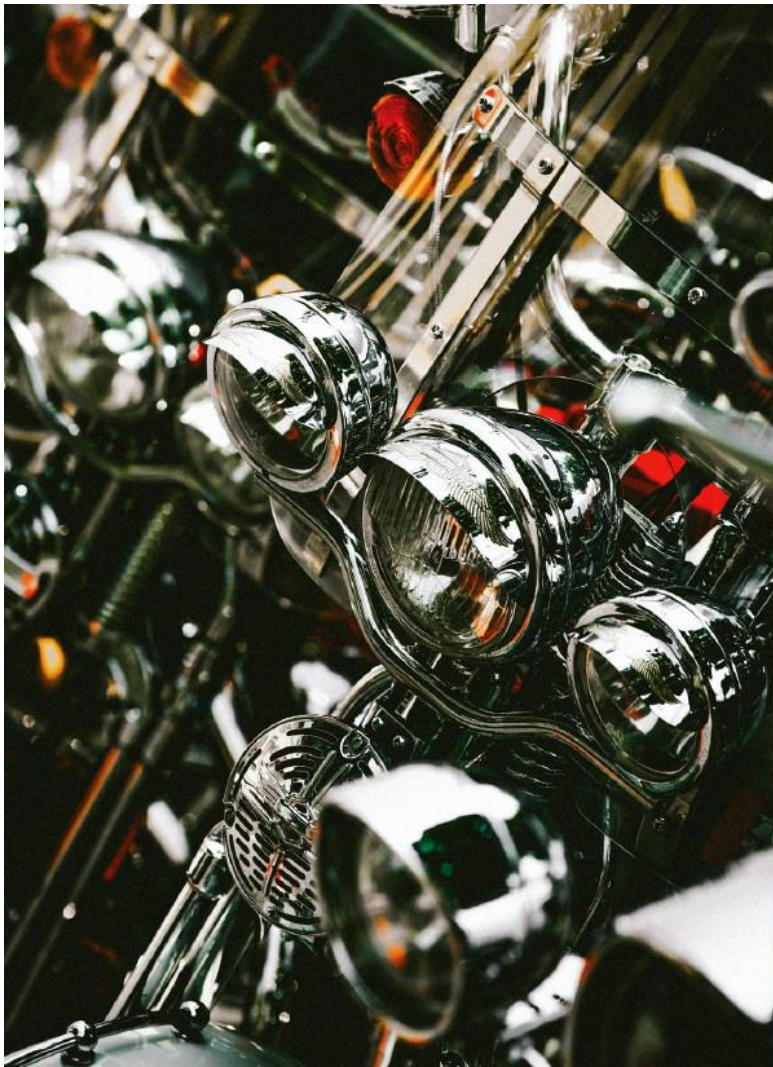
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