



DHD Omaha Chapter Nebraska Newsletter

July 2019

Director's Column by Gary S.

Wow! It's been a great start to the riding season. Our membership numbers continue to grow and the number of people participating in rides seems to get larger every week.

Our first big overnight trip of the year to Eureka Springs and the Ozarks was a blast. The scenery and rides were amazing, like always. Don't forget to check out the calendar for our next overnight adventure to Sioux Falls, immediately following our July get-together. The get-together will start at 9:00 AM, instead of 10:00 on the 13th of July, so we can hit the road.

If you recall earlier in the year, I mentioned the possibility of riding out to meet up with our sister chapter in Loveland Colorado for Thunder in the Rockies over Labor Day weekend. As our calendar filled up, this had slipped off our schedule. But Laurie with the Thunder Mountain HOG Chapter has reached out and said several members of their group have volunteered to open their homes for folks to stay, if we ride up for the rally. If you are interested in going, please let me know so we can make plans. If you've never ridden in the mountains, you're in for a real treat!

Last but not least, don't forget to stop by and say thanks to the staff at Defiance H-D for all they do to support the chapter. The dealership has really been a busy place this summer with plenty of activities for all.

Gary

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Asst. Director Column

By Jim L.

Well Chapter Members, can you believe that summer is officially here? I keep asking people, "Where was spring?" Well, looks like the rain has stopped for now but the heat is on. I bring this up because many of us ride in different weather conditions. So as a former safety officer, just a reminder. We need to prepare for all conditions. As the saying goes in Nebraska...wait 5 minutes the weather will change. As you can tell this is not much of a letter from the assistant director but as fellow rider that wants to see every ride, we go on be a successful ride. I want to see the number of bikes that leave on the ride be the same number that end the ride. I want to remind everyone to keep checking the website for new activities and any changes to existing activities. I like to keep my newsletters short. So, I will close this and say I am looking forward to seeing you at our chapter gatherings (new tag name) and on the road at our upcoming activities.

Keep the shining side up.

Hospitality

By Debbie S.

We always like to hear good news about our Chapter Members. If you know of anyone celebrating a milestone birthday, anniversary or anything else you want to share, let me know. I will send it out in our Quarterly newsletters. You can either have me send it out before it happens, so we can all enjoy the celebration or we can talk about it afterwards, whichever you prefer. And of course, we want to hear if anyone is sick, had an accident or anything like that. If there is something we can do to help we will, even if it's only sending prayers. Many of us feel like we are family and we do care about everyone.

This quarter, we sent a Get-Well card to Bill K. He had a knee replacement done in June and will not be riding for awhile. We hope to see him at some of our gatherings, even if he's on 4 wheels. Recover quickly, Bill.

Head Road Captain Column

by Dave R.

I'm excited that more people are coming out to ride. Our last couple of rides, we've had at least 8 or more bikes. We had one ride that we had to leave in 2 groups. I wanted to extend a huge "thank you" to those that have stepped up and taken on a lead or sweep position during our rides.

Now that the rain has let off a bit, hopefully you've been getting more miles on your bike. Before you get on your bike be sure to do a quick check. Remember to check your tires, controls, lights and do a walk around to check for loose parts. It'll save you some money and ensure you'll have a safe ride. On the other hand, the parts counter would love to see you stop in too.

Don't forget to update your mileage. Our mileage thermometer is starting to rise. Let's get out there and ride!

Membership Update

By Debbie S.

Hey everyone, I've noticed our riding group is getting larger. It's great seeing everyone out riding, especially our new members. If you haven't made it out with us, I do hope you are at least getting out somewhere to ride. Weather has been great most the time.

If you've been out with us, you've noticed some new faces. We've had quite a few people join this quarter & some members return. It's been great seeing them get involved. Please welcome:

Deborah P
Tim S
Gerry W
Chris W

Douglas P
Denise S
Russell W
Joseph G

Ricky R
Steve P
Mike S

Please say hi to these folks when you see them. We also updated our calendar at the end of last month and added more rides. So take a look and get signed up. If you have an idea for a ride let us know and we'll get it on the calendar. Let's Ride!!!!

Website Update

By Timm B.

Adding Chapter Events to your Smart Phone Calendar

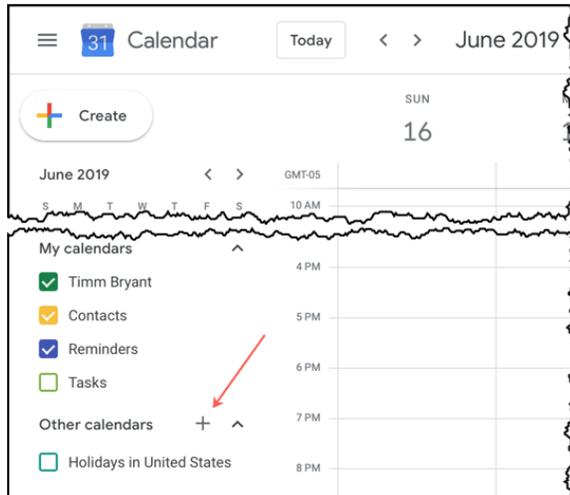
As you are probably aware, the Chapter website includes a calendar that lists all the planned events for the Chapter. This calendar includes an additional feature that allows Chapter members to "sign up" for events that they plan to participate in. The use of the sign-up feature allows the event organizers to have an idea of how many members plan to join for a ride and/or a dinner event. The sign-up feature is password protected, which is required by national HOG guidelines.

Having the calendar on the website is convenient, however several Chapter members have asked how the scheduled events could be displayed on their smart phones. Using a web-based calendar such as Google Calendar would work for many different types of smart phones. However, Google Calendar does not provide a password protected "sign up" feature.

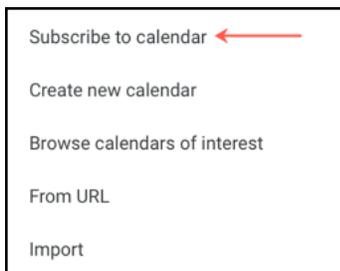
The Chapter is now providing a Google Calendar that includes copies of the events that are published on the website. Members can add the Chapter's Google Calendar to their own personal Google calendar, which will enable a consolidated view of all planned activities, both personal and Chapter, on their smart phones. Note that if a Chapter member wants to sign up for an event, they will still need to use the calendar that is on the Chapter's website.

Complete the following steps if you would like to add the Chapter's Google Calendar to your smart phone:

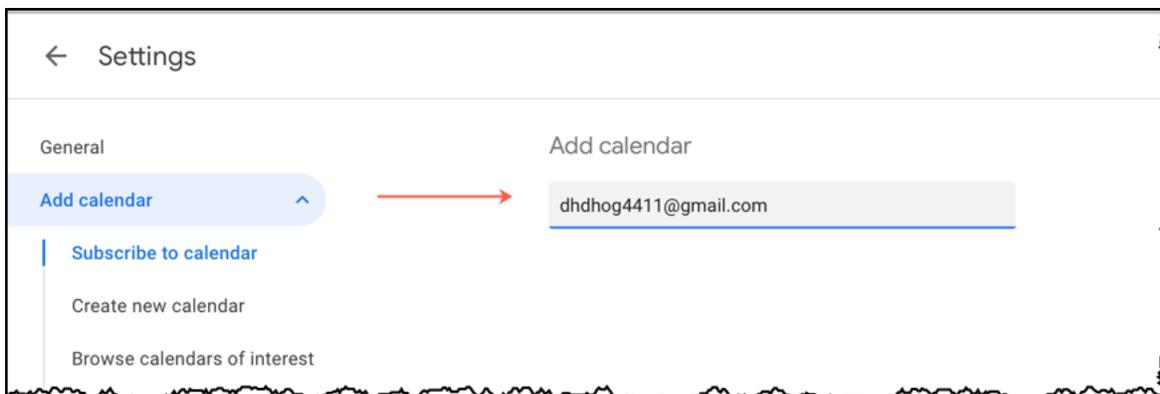
1. Create a Google account, if necessary. Open your web browser to <https://www.google.com> and then click on the **Sign-in** button to create or login to Google.
2. Open your Google calendar by opening your web browser to <https://calendar.google.com/>
3. Click on the **+** button as shown below to add an additional calendar to your Google account:



4. Click on the **Subscribe to calendar** link.

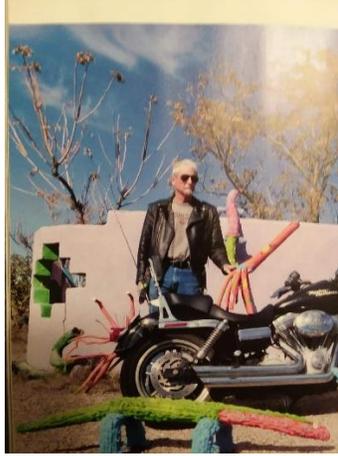


5. Enter **dhdhog4411@gmail.com** in the **Add calendar** text box and then click on the **Enter** key.



6. Now that you have a Google account and have added the Chapter's calendar to your account you should follow the directions available for your smart phone to add the Google calendar to its calendar.

Members Corner



Curious...has anyone else see this guy? We're wondering if Bob S. has a twin or just moonlighting as a model for Harley Davidson books. Either way, that's one good looking guy!



Have you been out getting your pictures for this year's photo challenge? Be sure to send them to Corrina at photographer@dhdhog.com.



Just a few pictures from our ride out to Pop 'n Docs – We had so many bikes that we had to leave in 2 groups.

Chapter activities are conducted primarily for the benefit of H.O.G. chapter members. There are three categories of activities. All activities are identified as follows: **Closed events** are for chapter members and one guest per member. **Member events** are reserved for H.O.G. members only. **Open events** are chapter events open to chapter members, national H.O.G. members and other guests.

Watch for the weekly email for current events

ALL DHD Omaha Chapter activities are "Closed Events", unless stated otherwise.

July 2019 DHD HOG Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Officers' Meeting	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Chapter Get Together Hot Harley Nights Ride
14	15	16	17 Steak your Claim Dinner Ride	18	19	20
21 Balloons and Bucks	22	23 Picnic Planning Meeting	24	25	26	27 Something EVEL This Way Ride
28	29	30 The Moose is Loose Ride	31			

August 2019 DHD HOG Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Chapter Get Together Grease Under the Stars
11	12	13 Tobey Tuesday	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Norse to Blair	23	24
25 Jesse's Last Ride	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2019 DHD HOG Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Officers' meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Masked Bandits Dinner Ride	11	12	13	14 Chapter Get Together The Sweet Ride
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 DHD HOG Chapter Picnic	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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