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I'm happy to say that with five months to go in 2016, we have traveled over 9,000 miles as a club. We still have two overnight rides planned: Road Captain Ed Reiff will be heading to the Lake Placid area in the Adirondack's on August 19th - 21st, the Best Western is all booked but there are a few other hotel you can check out, check the weekly for more information and Road Captain Dom Mozzone will be leading the last overnight ride for 2016. He will be heading south to the Ozarks, leaving September 15th returning September 25th, the hotel list and other information is attached to the weekly.

The house party this year will be held following our August meeting on the 28th. Ralph Norton has offered his home for this year's party. Road Captain Gary Kinkel will be setting up a poker run to the party in Woodbury following the meeting. We are looking for members to help with setting up, cleaning up and shopping. Please contact Steve or Helen at: activitiesdirector@liharleyriders.com or assistantactivitiesdirector@liharleyriders.com if you would like to volunteer or bring your favorite dish, the more hands the easier the task.

At the Augusts' meeting we will start to sell our Christmas party tickets, so mark your calendar for December 17th.

Ride safe and prosper!



Monthly Meeting July 24th

In the absence of our President, Grumpy Hartmann, VP Ken McKay presided over the meeting. We got to hear about the Yellowstone & Cooperstown trips from the point of view of riders who attended. Kudos to Charlie Abruzzo (Yellowstone) and Steve Ficalora (Cooperstown) for planning such wonderful trips. Annette Greco, LOH Officer announced an upcoming trip to Mohonk House and New Paltz for the ladies. Sounds like it's going to be a trip the ladies won't want to miss!



Are You a Member of the American Motorcycle Association (AMA)?

Although there is no requirement for AMA membership as a LI Harley Rider member, only AMA members will be able to vote for our primary officers or be able to run for office.

Please also consider the AMA's advocacy programs and other benefits.
Learn more about it at: www.americanmotorcyclist.com

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Joe Sabia



2nd Place



Karen Imperial

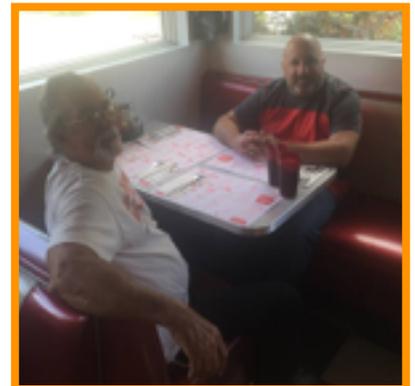
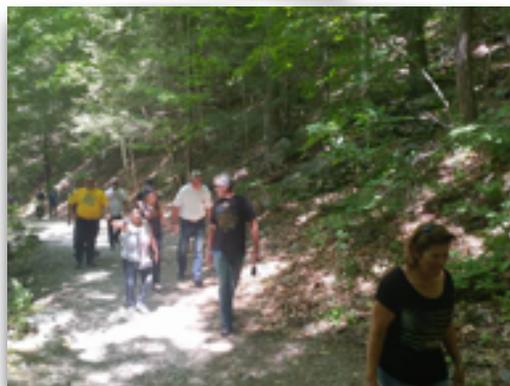
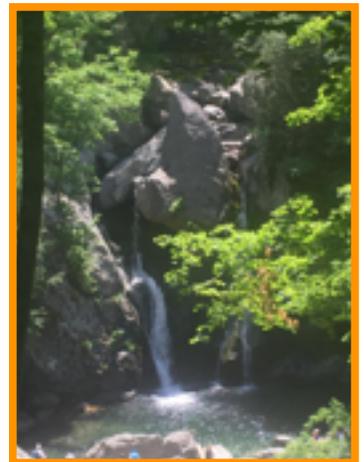
New Ride



**Joe Sabia
2016 Road Glide
CVO**



RC Ed Reiff led a great ride to Bish Bash Falls in Massachusetts on Sunday July 3rd. Fourteen riders and 18 members joined him on this scenic ride. The falls and landscape were something to see! Thank you to Ed for planning such a beautiful ride. As always, thanks to our RC's for the great job they do.





Although the ride to Connecticut was canceled on July 10th, RC Dom Mozzone was able to put together a relaxing ride to Southampton and Sag Harbor. Sixteen bikes and 18 members rode some nice roads and ended at The Corner Bar in Sag Harbor for lunch.

Thank you to Dom for putting together such a nice ride on short notice. Thank you to our RC's for the wonderful job they do!



It was a hot one but, after the meeting on July 24th, 17 bikes and 24 members led by RC Charlie Abruzzo took a ride out to Riverhead. It was good to be out riding. The group ended at Joe's Crab Shack for a relaxing lunch. Again, thanks to Charlie for planning the ride and to our RC's for the great job they do!



Ladies of Harley Paint Night



Annette Greco, LOH Officer planned a wonderful evening for the ladies on Friday, July 9th. 15 women met at the VFW to enjoy one another's company while painting wine glasses. Some of our ladies, like Joanne, showed some real talent, while others...not so much! Annette, very generously, made up wine favors for each woman attending. Everyone who joined in agreed it was a fun night.





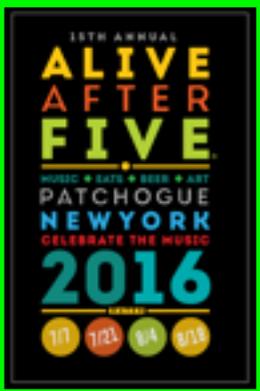
On July 17th, RC Joe Giacalone led 16 bikes and 20 members on a ride to New Jersey. The route took us through rolling hills, winding roads in Harriman State Park and around the beautiful Greenwood Lake. It was a really enjoyable ride with lots of twists & turns!

We stopped at one of our favorite places for lunch, the Chatterbox Drive-in, where Joe's parents were waiting to greet us. A big THANK YOU! to Joe for planning a great ride and, as always, to our RC's for the amazing job they do!



Join the Fun... Bike Nights are Back!!!

July 7th



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July 27th





What we all hate and dread when riding: “Rain”

by Dom Mozzone, Safety Officer

One word that we all hate to hear as a rider is “rain.” As a club, we always check weather reports for our weekly rides to avoid rain. But, occasionally, we do get wet. What can you do to improve your riding in the rain?

The first thing you need to do is be prepared well ahead of the first few drops of rain. Selecting and purchasing a rain suit is something that must be done in advance. Another point is to keep it with you at all times. A rain suit serves two purposes. First, it should keep you dry. Second, and equally important, it should increase your visibility. When your evasive maneuverability is reduced by lack of traction, you want to be sure other drivers see you with reflective rain gear.

Maintaining all your lights also helps you to be seen in the rain. Of course you must keep your lights clean, but, have you checked them all lately to see if any have burned out? Do you carry any spares with you? Next time you take your bike in for service you should restock any spare bulbs you might be missing. Additionally, spare fuses are equally important.

Other important items that need maintaining ahead of time are your tires. Have you inspected them lately? If any of the wear bands are showing, it’s time to replace the tire. One of the major causes of hydroplaning is worn tires. You clearly don’t want to find this out after the rain starts falling. The sole purpose of the tread design on a tire is to carry off the water, but it can’t do its job if you don’t allow it enough tread depth to work with.

Hydroplaning occurs when the tires are not in full contact with the road. They ride on a thin layer of water, and sometimes oil, on the road. Hydroplaning occurs frequently in light mist or drizzle or as soon as rain starts. Proper tread depth and tire pressures, slowing down and riding in the tracks of other vehicles all help reduce the chance of hydroplaning. The cessation of a slushing sound, or any decrease in steering or braking may indicate hydroplaning. If this happens, slow down without braking and avoid any sudden moves.

When we’re doing a ride, especially on over night rides, and it starts raining the lead RC will assess the planned route for safety in the rain. Scenic, twisty asphalt roads are a lot of fun when they're dry. When the rain starts to pour, the scenery turns gray, the turns aren’t nearly as much fun, and the asphalt doesn’t provide the traction you need to remain safe.

That’s when a decision for an alternate route is made along a boring, albeit straighter, concrete road.

An optimum situation is to stop prior to the precipitation and prepare yourself for riding in the rain. Doing so while dry and controlled will increase your safety as well as your comfort. Pull off the road as soon as you find a place to suit up; what you don’t want to do is suit up in the rain as you're getting wet. That totally sucks! Been there, done that, and its not fun. When the water first enters the pores of the road, it forces up the oil that has been collecting there, that’s the most dangerous time to be caught in the rain where bad ‘stuff’ can happen quickly. Its best to wait at least 15 minutes after the rain starts for it to wash the oil off the road.

Though the main danger of rain is hydroplaning, slowing down, increasing your following distance, taking curves more slowly, take precautions when crossing intersections and increasing your scanning distance all help to ride safely in the rain.

Riding in the rain may never be pleasant, but it can be done safely if you’re prepared and knowledgeable of what to avoid. Be vigilant, smart, avoid unnecessary risks and always keep your rain gear with you...



Upcoming Rides and Events



Adirondak Mountains Friday August 19th thru Sunday August 21st

What better way to spend one of the last weekends of summer than riding through the beautiful Adirondack Mountains?



The house party has been rescheduled for August 28th after the meeting there will be a poker run. Then it's party time. Ralph Norton has kindly offered his home to us. Please contact Steve or Helen if you would like to help set up, clean up or bring a dish.

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LOH Weekend Sept. 10-11 to Mohonk and New Paltz staying at the America's Best Hotel (845) 255-8865 \$154(tax incl) double occupancy Mention code: R161009S. These rooms are not blocked so make your reservations ASAP. You have until 6 pm that night to cancel. Dinner reservations (\$79.49) at Mohonk Mountain House (855) 883-3798 at 6:30 on 9/10. Your dinner reservations are under Kathy Efthimiades. They will charge your card. You have up to 48 hrs. prior to cancel. The price for dinner also includes an afternoon tea and use of the grounds for the day. Bring your hiking shoes!



OZAARKS RIDE THURS. SEPT. 15TH THRU SUNDAY SEPT. 25TH

If you missed all the other overnight trips, you won't want to miss this one! We're finishing up our off-island overnight riding season with a trip down south to the beautiful Ozarks.



SAVE THE DATE: Saturday December 17th. At the Holiday Inn in Plainview.

Watch the emails for details.

Watch the weekly e-mails and the L.I. Harley Rider website for further information on all upcoming rides and events.

Ozark Ride Hotel Information

Group ID for all hotels is LI Harley Riders

Date	Hotel Address	Rate	Contact Number	Cancellation Policy
15-Sep	Holiday Inn Roanoke, Va 4468 Starkey Rd SW Roanoke, Va 24018	\$99	540-774-4400	6PM day of arrival
Sep 16 & 17 2 days	Holiday Inn Express 565 S Mt juliet Rd. Mt. Juliet, TN 37122	\$109	615-553-5200	24 Hrs
Sep 18 - 22 5 days	Hampton Inn 4501 W. Walnut St. Rogers, AR 72756	\$129	479-986-0500	24 Hrs
23-Sep	Comfort Inn 115 Skypark Dr Corydon, ID 47122	\$65	812-738-3900	48 Hrs
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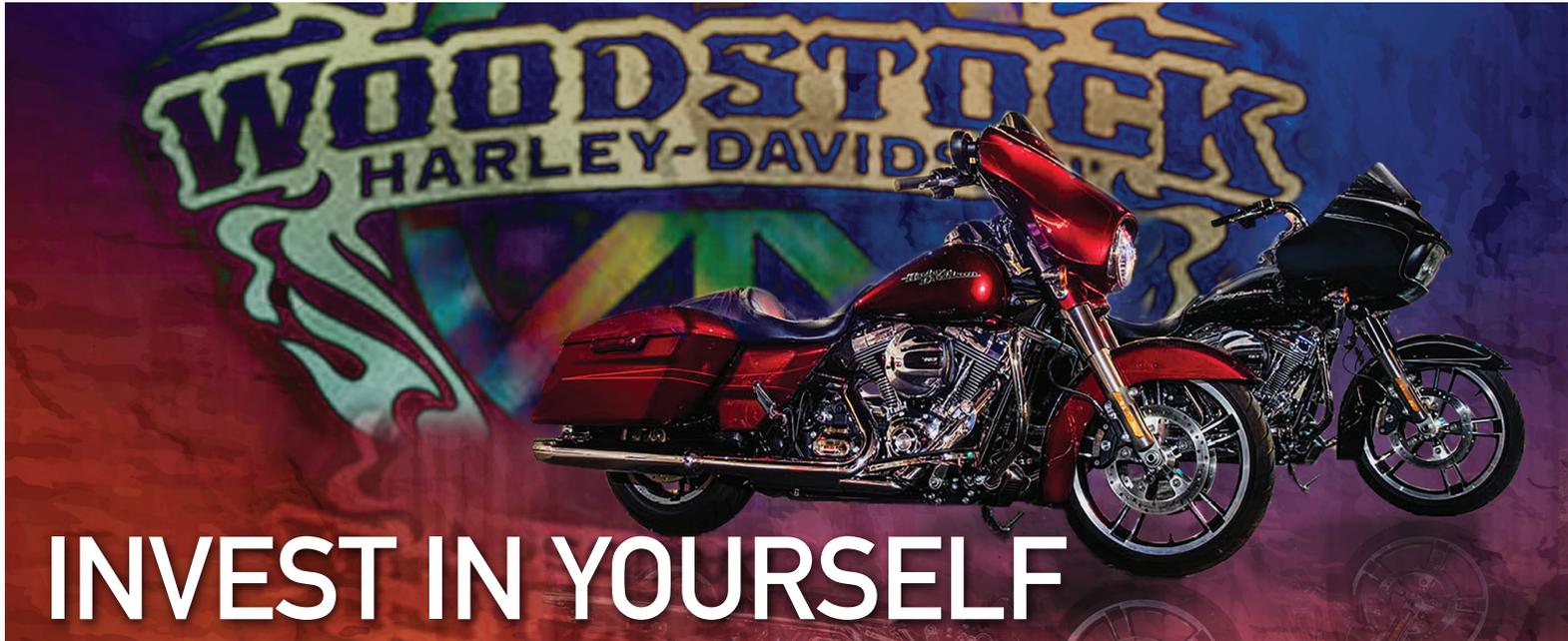
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off-island ride						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
off-island ride					Adirondack Ride Leaves	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Adirondack Ride Returns/ local ride						
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Meeting/Poker run/House Party						




Laurie Pattishall.....August 5th
Milafro Granados.....August 5th
Bob Dettmer.....August 7th
Gae Mozzone.....August 10th
Victoria Christian...August 11th
Mike McKeon....August 16



Adirondack Ride
August 19th - 21st
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As always, a BIG THANK YOU to our Road Captains for the great rides they plan and for keeping us all safe!

Head Road Captain: Mario Ruffolo - Asst. Head Road Captain: Gary Kinkle
Charlie Abruzzo, Steve Ficalora, Sal Fino, Joe Giacalone, Fred (Grumpy) Hartmann,
Nadine Hartmann, Cisco Mercado, Ken McKay, Dom Mozzone, Kenny Pastor, Ed Reiff,
Lou Vaccarelli & Rich Zeier.

Say Cheese!

Attending your first meeting?

Be sure to let us know where your from and what you ride.

Welcome to the Family!

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Next Meeting August 28, 2016 10 AM

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