Welcome LI Harley Riders. Hope everyone is enjoying their summer and out there riding. Well everyone thought June was a busy month with our big trip out west but in July we had three overnighters. First our LOH had their overnight trip to the Dutchess County Balloon Festival. Seventeen of our lady members some rode and other’s drove, to a weekend of fun. They visited the Norman Rockwell Museum, did lots of riding, shopping, cocktails and had plenty of laughs. Sounds like a great time was had by all. VP and RC Ed Reiff led a group of about sixteen bikes to Mount Greylock in the Berkshire Mountains. If you have never been up there, they are beautiful. With some help from Ronnie’s HD and Rod Morgenweck, Webmaster they missed some rain and had a great trip. Not to be out done RC Dom Mozzone lead a group to Mountainfest in West Virginia. West Virginia is one of the pretties states I have ever ridden in. There were a couple of mechanical problems along the way. But, as all of us at LI Harley Riders know, we are a team and no one is left behind. Everything was fixed and a great trip was had by all. One of the local Hog Chapters led them on some of the most challenging and beautiful roads our country has to offer.

A special thank you to Jerry and Betty Small who will be hosting our Annual Pool Party at their home on August 20th. I hope everyone can make it.

I would like to welcome our four new members to our club-Sue, John, Nancy & Jeff. I hope to see you out there riding with us. Our next overnight trip will be in September led by RC Gary Kinkle to Lewisburg PA. So book your rooms now, it is going to be a great trip.

Ride it like you stole it and be safe!
The monthly meeting was full of great stories from recent trips. We heard about the ladies ride to the Dutchess County Balloon Festival, Ed’s ride to Greylock Mountain and most recently, the ride to West Virginia. The WV ride had a rocky start with a few mechanical problems but, the members reported, the riding was some of the best riding they’d ever done! Some local HOG members guided the group through some great long and winding roads. They may have encountered a rocky start but one of our members, who will remain anonymous, put it well-It's good to travel with good people. They take care of you.

Some changes among officers will be taking place. Ginny Nugent-Zeier, Editor will be stepping down at the end of the year. She will be training Deidre Kuster to take over her position. Also after 11 years as treasurer, George Foundotos will be stepping down and is familiarizing Joe Giacalone with the treasurer position. Thank you to both Ginny and George for all the time, years and work they’ve put in to help make the club work the way it does.

Live with Donna Drake! will be interviewing our President, Ken McKay and Rod Morgenweck , Webmaster for Donna’s show. In the past Donna highlighted our club's involvement in charitable events as well as our love for riding. Lou will let us know when the interview will air. Thanks Lou!
WINNERS

1ST PLACE
ROD MORGENWECK

2ND PLACE
JEFF GRUBE

Say Hi! to Our New Members....

Sue & John Hachmann

Nancy Johnson & Jeff Grube
On July 2nd, after 6 tries, RC Dom Mozzone finally got to lead his long awaited ride to Connecticut! The weather was perfect and so were the roads in northwest part of the state. The group stopped for lunch at the JP Gifford Market and Catering Co. Not only was the lunch delicious but the atmosphere was relaxing as well.

Thank you and congratulations to Dom for getting us to Connecticut! Thank you as always to our amazing RC's!

On Sunday, July 9th, Road Captain Ken Pastore led 17 bikes and 18 members on a local 67 mile ride through Setauket, Miller Place, Manorville. They ended at Hero Express in Bohemia. Thank you to Ken for planning the ride. Thank you to our wonderful RC's who do their best to keep everyone safe on whichever ride they were on!
On the weekend of July 8th-9th seventeen LOH members took a ride to the Dutchess County Balloon Festival. While they didn’t get to go on a balloon ride, due to the windy day, they enjoyed visiting the different vendors present. Then, it was back to the hotel for cocktails by the pool! The next day they rode to the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, MA. They had the opportunity to take pictures on the breathtaking grounds. The ride back home was beautiful! They rode through the mountains, next to streams and over some cool dirt roads. A big Thank You to Annette Greco, LOH Officer for planning such a wonderful weekend and to Ginny Nugent-Zeier, Editor for assisting in planning the rides.
On Saturday July 8th, Vice President Ed Reiff led 10 bikes and 13 members on an overnight trip up to Mount Greylock in MA. They rode some beautiful, country back roads all the way up through NY, CT, and MA. The route had to be changed in the middle of the ride to avoid some rain storms up ahead. Rod Morgenweck, Webmaster did a great job weather tracking to keep everyone dry. From there on the weather was perfect and roads were awesome. The group got to a mountain top where the view was spectacular and you could see 5 different states.
From July 15th to July 22nd, RC Dom Mozzone led a group consisting of 20 bikes and 24 members on a memorable trip to West Virginia. Their adventures started in Summersville, WV where RC’s from the New River Gorge HOG Chapter led the group on rides through the New River Gorge and Monongahela National Forest areas. From there it was on to Morgantown for the Mountainfest Rally. While there, the group was met by Fred LePage, a friend of the club. Fred is known as the man who knows roads that even God doesn’t know about. His rides are never disappointing! Although there was a few issues with bikes, all in all, it was a fantastic week filled with beautiful rides.
On Sunday, July 16th, Head Road Captain Mario Ruffolo led 11 bikes through Great River and along the south shore before heading north through Yaphank into Mount Sinai. They then headed west through some great north shore back roads stopping at Changing Times in East Northport for lunch. The ride ended with ice cream in Northport. It was a perfect day for a ride.

Thank you to Mario for planning the ride with a sweet ending. Thank you also to our amazing RC’s.
After the meeting, on July 23rd, RC Gary Kinkle led 21 bikes and 23 members on some great back roads through Huntington and Melville before heading towards Nissequogue. There the group rode more nice twisting roads and headed south ending at Blackbirds Grill in Sayville. They lucked out with the weather. It turned out to be a beautiful day.

Thank you to Gary for planning the ride. Thank you to our amazing RC's, HRC and AHRC not only for the job they do every week but for being so flexible this summer!
It was a beautiful day for a ride. On Sunday, July 30th, RC Jon Berlin led 17 bikes and 21 members on a great ride to Bear Mountain. Harriman State Park has some of the best roads, twist and turns and scenery in NY. Our members reached some high points and took some beautiful pictures. Lunch was at Kirby’s Grill. On the way home, some members rode through scenic eastern Dutchess County and Western Connecticut to catch the ferry home. Others chose to take the Throgs Neck Bridge.

Unfortunately, Chris & Deidre Kuster got stuck but got a tow home pretty quick. Thanks to President Ken McKay for staying with them because nobody gets left behind!

Thank you to Jon for planning the ride. Thank you to our amazing RC’s for being the best at what they do!
Bike Nights

July 6th
Alive After 5

July 12th
Shanahan’s

July 26th
Off Key Tiki

Elijah Churchill’s Public
House
July 19th

This ‘n That

ELECTRONIC SIGN-UP: Rod Morgenweck, Webmaster is working on an electronic sign-up system for our overnight trips. If you are not currently on Face Book, please notify Rod via email. You can answer the weekly email and the message will be forwarded to Rod.

In Case of Emergency Forms (ICE): If you routinely ride with someone, on club rides, please do not use them as your emergency contact person on your ICE form.
The Importance of Two Second Spacing

by Dom Mozzone

When we were on our Mountainfest trip to W. Va. in mid-July, there was a discussion on spacing one evening which needs clarification. Our club has adopted the two second rule that MSF-USA.Org follows. It allows for proper group management safely while providing enough spacing time to control our group’s ride. Being the seasoned riders that most of us are, we can also easily fall into a pace of complacency on a ride that could have a negative impact on our fellow club members. Have you ever been on a ride where you’re constantly trying to catch up and hitting speeds that do not make you comfortable? Of course you have. Its called rubber banding, where someone falls behind our club standard two second spacing then picks up speed to catch up. What that does is negatively impact the riders behind the rider who is lagging and exacerbates the impact as the actions progress to the rear of the pack. This can repeat itself multiple times on a ride making it very uncomfortable, unpredictable and yes unsafe!!

It is absolutely imperative that we all respect our fellow club members and maintain a two second spacing, at all speeds, from the motorcycle directly in front of you. How can you do that? Just pick a marker on the road or a pole the motorcycle is passing in front of you and say to yourself in normal speech: One- One Thousand, Two- One Thousand. At the end of the 2nd One Thousand that’s two seconds and where your front tire should be behind the bike in front of you. This works at all speeds the same way, the slower you go the closer you will be, the opposite for higher speeds, you’ll be farther apart. Keeping alert and checking your spacing periodically will make the ride more enjoyable for all concerned keeping spacing corrections to a minimum. If you zone out and let the distance increase on you and try to catch up, remember, you are negatively impacting everyone behind you.

Also keep in mind, for non-highway local rides, the road captains block at certain intersections that the road captain leading the group checked out prior to the ride. When passing these blocked intersections, its extremely important for the group to keep consistent spacing or an oncoming car may perceive that the group is completed. If someone is excessively behind, and attempt to make it around one of our road captains prematurely, not good! Remember, be conscience of your spacing at all times to assure a predictable and enjoyable experience.

Ride often, space yourself properly and have a blast riding at any speed.
Upcoming Rides and Events

Up Coming Overnight Trips:
Sept 8th-10th    Lewisburg, PA

Annual House Party - Don’t forget your bathing suit! Jerry & Betty Small have volunteered their home for the site of this annual event to be held Sunday August 20th. Please email/FB Helen, or go to the events page on the website, to sign up to help or make a dish.

Annual Holiday Party - Saturday, December 16th, at the Holiday Inn in Plainview.

Our Road Captain's plan some great rides! If there are places you would like to go and things you want to see, please contact Mario or Gary with your ideas for day, overnight and extended rides.

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**Say Happy Birthday to...**

Laurie Pattishall....August 5th
Henry D’Elia....August 7th
Gae Mozzone...August 10th
Victoria Christian...August 11
Michael McKeon..August 16th
Christine Smith..August 26th

**Lewisburg, PA**

**September 8th-10th**

**Watch the emails for details**
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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: Sal Fino, RC’s: Charlie Abruzzo, Jon Berlin, Steve Ficalora, Joe Giacalone, Fred (Grumpy) Hartmann, Nadine Hartmann, Gary Kinkle, Dom Mozzone, Ken Pastore, Ed Reiff & 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!
After the meeting, our Chapter Photographer will take your photo.

Next Meeting
August 27, 2017
10 AM
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Huntington, NY

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