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Welcome LI Harley Riders. Even though the big bad winter is keeping our riding down, the planning of our rides and events never stops. Thanks to Helen and Stephen we just had a Dinner & a Movie Night. Members made and brought their favorite dish to the VFW hall to share with everyone, then they enjoyed a movie together. A great time was had by all. Thanks to the hard work of our activities officers and LOH we have a few upcoming events. In March, there is going to be a comedy night on the 4th at the Brokerage Comedy Club. Our annual Chili contest will be held after our monthly meeting in February. This event is always well attended and the friendly competition is always lots of fun. So make your best Chili and come on down. Also coming up in March is our St. Patricks Feast and April will bring our Biker Blessing. and the annual ride to Winthrop Hospital.

Looking ahead to our riding season our Head RC Mario has 5 different overnight riding trips planned for us. They are anywhere between a two week trip to the Grand Canyon, a one week to W. Virginia to a one night trip to Greylock Mt. in MA. So get your bike ready 'cause we will be riding.

At the January meeting two special men were honored They were both past presidents. Bill Vultaggio who was LI Harley Riders first president and Fred Hartman who I think held almost every position in our club. Without both of their hard work there would be no Club.

So you can see there is a lot coming up. Our 2017 membership drive is open, so sign up either online or at our monthly meetings. You do not want to miss anything.

Ride it like you stole it. Be Safe



Monthly Meeting January 22, 2017

Ken opened the meeting by thanking everyone who helped out with our Holiday Party. Whether it was setting up, cleaning up or contributing a basket, we are thankful for your help! He introduced Helen Rott as the new Activities Director and Stephan Efthimiades as Assistant Activities Director. We welcome our new members Christine and Eric!



We were updated on rides and events coming up this year. The "biggie" is the 2 week trip to the Grand Canyon. There is also a trip to another beautiful part of the country, West Virginia where we will attend the Mountainfest Rally. Another special ride that we've done for many years and is coming up is the ride to Winthrop scheduled for April 15. More details to follow.



Ken presented our past presidents, Bill Vultaggio and Fred Hartmann with patches for the great years of service they gave to our club. Thanks so much!!

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**

1st Place



Rich Zeier

2nd Place



Gary Kinkel

Say Hi! to our new members.....

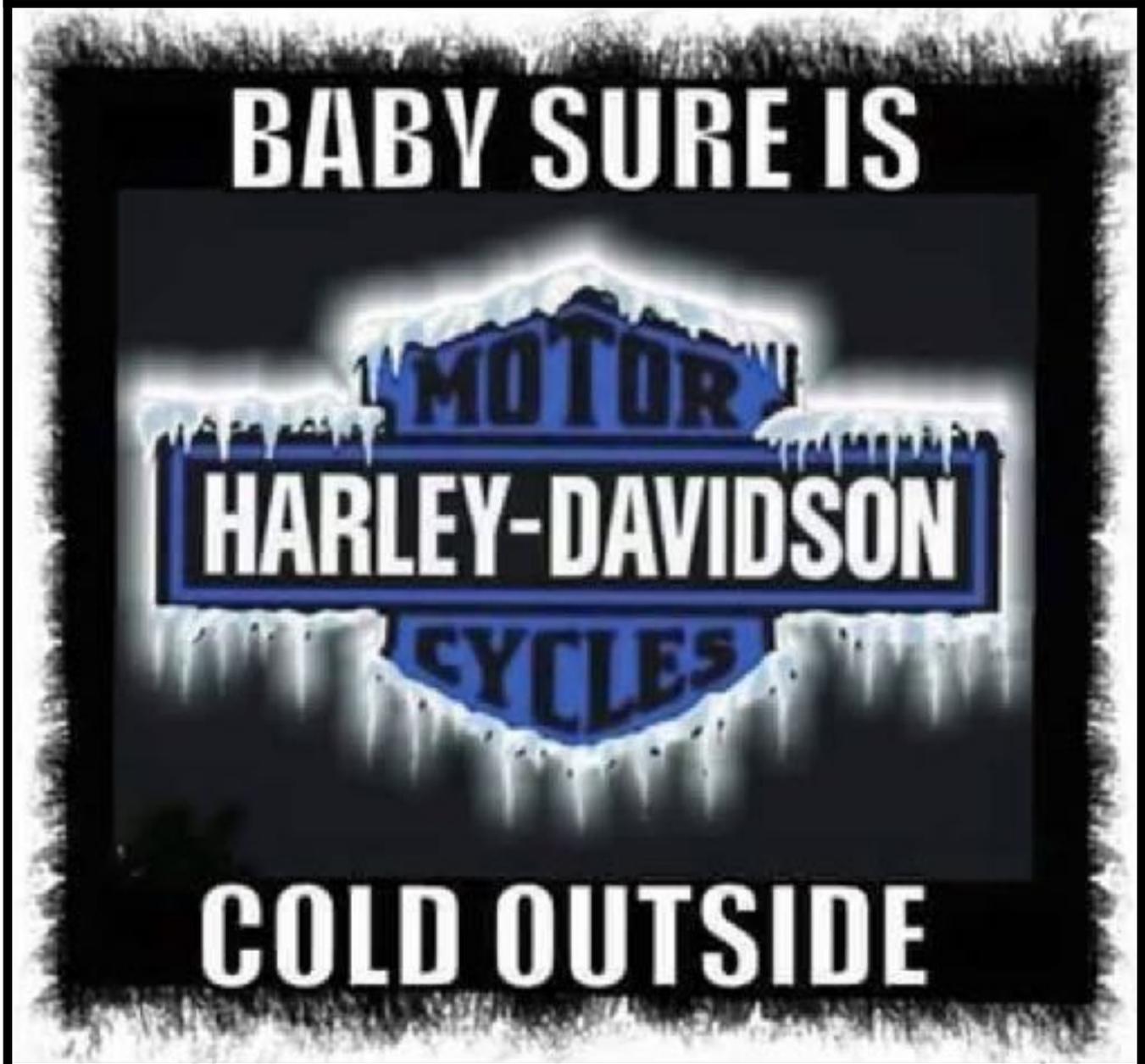


Eric Rosenthal

Not Pictured:

Jason Ambesi
Matthew Drake

January 8th.....Ride Cancelled
January 17th.....Ride Cancelled
January 22nd.....Ride Cancelled





Sunday, January 29th was a sunny, cool, crisp day and we were finally able to do the Polar Bear Ride, after 3 cancellations! Gary led 21 bikes and 23 members on some great roads with lots of hills, twists and turns. The route took us through Mill Neck, Laurel Hollow, Oyster Bay Cove, Matinecock, Old Westbury and Cold Spring, ending in Commack where everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch at the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant.

A very special thank you to Gary not only for planning the ride but for sweeping the area by the snake turn for our safety! Our RC's did a great job as always!







Winter Riding Smartly

by Dom, Mozzone, Safety Officer

Since the LI Harley Riders is a 12 month riding club we've become accustomed to modifying our clothing gear as well as how we ride during the cold weather, e.g., later starts and earlier shut downs. What can occasionally happen during the winter are rapid changes in temperature when you're not expecting it. Being on a road trip with changing elevations makes keeping an eye out for weather all the more important. Here are some winter riding tips to keep our riding enjoyable and safe this winter wherever you ride.

1. Wear Appropriate Riding Gear in a Layering Fashion

Riding comfortably in cold weather begins with correct gear choice, and it's all about layering. Base Layers (full leg, full sleeve). Even while riding we sweat, and the base layers allow our skin to breath, wicking away moisture. This helps sweat evaporate rather than turning to cold perspiration on the body, also wear socks that wick away moisture.

Next is your outer gear which must completely cover your exposed skin to avoid frost bite. A good neck warmer is also a required staple to have for those really cold rides. Gloves should be the type that will cover to your forearms including your jacket's wrist area; These kind of gloves prevent wind from finding its way up your sleeve. Heated gear is another way to go as you can throttle the heat up or down to accommodate your comfort zone; but, like all technological marvels s\$!t happens so its best to have back up layers with you in case the heated gear fails.



2. Cold Weather Equals Colder Tires

It's that simple – cold weather means colder tires. And as everyone should now by now, cold tires equate to limited traction. Riding helps increase heat in the tire, but even the briefest stop can quickly cool the tires down, providing lack of traction. Also, make sure you have adequate tread on your tires for winter riding. Penny pinching on tires is about as stupid as buying the cheapest motorcycle helmet, and this is truer-than-ever during the winter-riding season. It may snow unexpectedly, and you'll need to channel water/snow more than ever on wet roads that are cold. Also, check your tire pressure; This is extremely crucial during the winter months when optimal traction is needed.



3. Watch for Salt, Fresh Cracks due to Plows and Black Ice

Salt is not only an enemy to metal, but also traction. Treat salt like ice; if you see crystalized appearances on the side of the road, stay away. Also remember that those plow trucks destroy roads, causing new cracks, sometimes huge and able to chew up rims. Once again remember to run correct tire pressure; you don't want to bend a rim or pinch a tube.

Black ice, if it even remotely looks like ice, stay away from it. Since I mentioned salt, remember that motorcycles weren't designed for winter riding. Like salt from the ocean, motorcycles can quickly succumb to rust. Whenever the sun is out and the roads are clear, thoroughly wash your bike to free it from as much salt as possible. This will also afford you the opportunity to closely inspect your bike as well.

4. Increase Visibility and Following Distance

While riding in the winter, increase your visibility and space. Increasing visibility simply means looking further down the road, helping you recognize hazards before they occur. Increased visibility allows you to react to a potential threat well in advanced, and this is more than needed in winter when traction is limited by the cold roads. As a rule always look 15 seconds ahead.

As for following distance, open it up. Maintain a few car lengths of space ahead of you, allowing more time to react to hazards, such as cars ahead stopping, or being able to see something on the road. Tail gating in winter is completely stupid. Just think for a moment; in dry conditions it takes an experience rider about 85 feet to stop a bike traveling at 35 mph. An average car is around 16 feet, so it would take about five car lengths to stop. Think! Its cold out! Do the math...and of course, the faster you're riding, the more distance you need to maintain.



5. Join a Motorcycle-Specific Towing Service

Accidents happen, and are more likely to happen in cold-weather riding due to, once again, lack of traction. Make sure you have a towing service that is readily available; an out of pocket tow expense is extremely expensive so be prepared if you need to be towed.

As a member of the American Motorcyclist Association I have the organizations Roadside Assistance, it comes as a comp with my annual membership. HOG has similar services if you prefer.

6. Don't be a Moron; If Snow Starts Falling, Get Your Ass Home

The title says it all. If it begins snowing, get home! The white stuff can accumulate quickly, providing the slickest conditions. Keep an eye on the forecasts, and if there's even a threat of snow, keep the bike home. If for some reason your riding and you encounter snow, and getting home will be a challenge, you need to find somewhere to stop and get shelter quickly. Better to be uncomfortable sheltering somewhere than laying on the side of the road all busted up because you were a moron and unsafe.

Riding safely in the winter is challenging and fun. Doing it smartly and often will make riding the winter months like any other time of the year. Ride safe, ride often, have a blast!!

Upcoming Rides and Events



Annual Chili Contest after the February 26th meeting. It's that time of year! Members, get those **chili peppers** out and cook up your best batch of **chili**. Who will be this year's contest winner? (contest open to members only).



St. Patrick's Day Feast - BE **Irish** FOR THE DAY. JOIN US AFTER THE MARCH MEETING FOR A ST. PATRICK'S FEAST. COOK UP YOUR FAVORITE CELTIC DISH AND HAVE SOME FUN.



Bunny Ride - Grab a toy and put a smile on a child's face. Join us on **Saturday April 15th** for our annual ride to Winthrop Hospital's Pediatric Care Unit.



Up Coming Overnight Trips:

June 3rd-18th **The Grand Canyon**

July 15th -22nd **Mountainfest Rally, West Virginia**

Check the website for additional information.

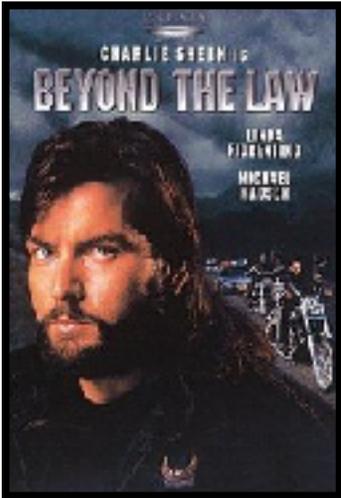
Membership

Our membership dues for 2017 are \$35. The associate dues are \$15. If you know someone who hasn't renewed their membership, please remind them to join soon. There are lots of good things coming up!

You can now complete the application online, print it & send it to:

LI Harley Riders P.O. Box 2203 St. James, N.Y. 11780-0607 Attn: Membership (Membership form)

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



Dinner & a Movie Night was lots of fun! It was nice to relax & talk with everyone. Thank you to Helen and Stephan for organizing everything. Thank you to everyone who cooked such delicious food. It was a feast!!

Don't miss out on **Comedy Night**. Saturday March 4th at 7:30 pm at **The Brokerage Comedy Club** 2797 Merrick Rd. Bellmore 11710



Featuring Joey Kola.

This is a "Special Event" and tickets will be sold out soon.
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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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Local Ride						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sweetheart Ride		<i>Valentine's Day</i>				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Local Ride	<i>President's Day</i>					
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
Meeting/Local Ride/ <i>Chili Contest</i>						



Say Happy Birthday

Bill Pattishall...February 4th
 Annette Greco..February 9th
 Bob Bernstein..February 18th
 Jason Ambesi..February 21st
 George Foundotos.. Feb. 21st
 Bob Titolo...February 23rd
 Tom Byrne...February 25th
 Dave Marzola...February 26th
 Pam Barbieri...February 27th



Joey Kola

The Brokerage Comedy Club

**Saturday March 4th
@ 7:30 pm**

2016 Membership Get a friend involved!

Sweatshirts, T-shirts, Rockers, Mugs and Caps are on sale now!

2016 Membership Applications are Available on Line!

Applications are available on our website or the weekly e-mail. Download it for a friend, have them fill it out then bring them down to the monthly meeting.

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, Jon Berlin, Steve Ficalora, Sal Fino, Joe Giacalone, Fred (Grumpy)
Hartmann, Nadine Hartmann, 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 February 26, 2017 10 AM

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