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President's Point of View, by Steve Ficalora



Happy New Year Everyone! I certainly hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and New year's celebration. I for one am certainly happy to kick 2020 to the curb, and I hope and pray that our world improves significantly in 2021.

The officers and Road Captains have been busy over the holidays planning our January meeting for the 24th at the VFW, as well as Overnight rides for this coming riding season. While we do have to keep our plans flexible given the current circumstances, we have a bunch of great destinations planned for the new year. Listed below are the initial overnight rides with dates. None of these are set in stone yet and as we approach each of these, additional details will be communicated regarding hotels and signups.

During the January meeting we will be providing each member with a special thank you for their continued involvement during the past year. We couldn't have had as many rides or events without your support! The number of members that raised their hand to help or volunteer their homes for gatherings was truly humbling. For those interested in taking it to the next level we are always looking for help, and there are opportunities right now for Officer and Road captain positions.

As we look towards the spring and summer, we are continuing to ride every weekend, weather permitting. The Polar Bear ride is always the first ride of the year and is an event not to be missed! This is when you can earn you your polar bear patch or get your new year rocker to add, so get your thermal's and heated gear ready! I also highly recommend toe warmers for your boots. 😊

As always, whether you're riding with us, alone, or are out with friends, please be safe. During the winter you need to ensure that you check your tire pressure regularly and watch out for black ice. Also keep in mind that drivers are less likely to expect a motorcycle to be out in this weather.

Montauk Sunrise Ride - April 10-11

Nashville - May 13 - 22

Bills Bike Barn - June 3 - 6

Gettysburg - June 25 - 27

Mecum Auto Auction - July 30 - Aug 1

Rock & Roll Hall of Fame - Aug 12 - 16

New Hampshire - September 9 - 12



November Meeting



We had another successful meeting in November. We had a good turnout for our monthly meeting with @45-50 members attending. The meeting was run by our Treasurer Joe G as our President and VP were away. There were no new members and no new bikes this month. Our annual Veterans Place ride was a great success on the 8th. We raised over \$1400 from the Poker Run and the generosity of our members and we were able to pack 24 laundry bags with sheets., towels, blankets and pillows for our great veterans. Because of the pandemic we were unable to interact with the Veterans but we were greeted by the very thankful staff. Following the November meeting Santa Sal led us to Sagamore Children's Hospital. As always our members showed their generosity by donating \$190 as well as toys, clothes and personal items to be delivered to Sagamore and make it a happy Christmas for the kids. Our 50/50 winners Bob Lovdahl (1st place) and Jeff Grube (2nd place) donated their winnings to Sagamore.

Our Safety Officer Dom reviewed the clubs rules on riding in groups including the 2 second rule and the hand signals that must be passed back to the end of the group. We have less road captains so going forward there may not be as much blocking and we must all follow the general safety rules. Several members received their 5 year patches, including George Greco, Lance Margolian and Yelena Irzun

Our Activities officer Lynne is trying to plan some social events but because of the ongoing health emergency many of our plans have been cancelled. The annual Christmas party being one of them. A movie night is in the works and we are hoping to have our annual Chili contest in February. Please remember to look for emails and Facebook events for changes.



Congratulations to our 5 year members



Congratulations to our new Assistant Head RC Ralph



Our 50/50 winners! Thanks Guys for donating your winnings back to Sagamore Children's Hospital





LI Veterans Place November 8, 2020



Our annual LI Veterans Place ride was another success. The weather was a perfect spring day in November with clear sky's and 70 degree weather. HRC Mario led a nice group of 37 bikes and 41 members on a North Shore Ride ending at the LI Veterans Place. We were greeted by staff members who were overwhelmed by the turnout. We raised over \$1400 with the Poker Run and with additional donations by Past President Ed Reiff and our generous 50/50 winners we were able to put together 24 bags including bedding, pillows, towels and comforters for these great men who protected our country. Because of the pandemic we were not able to meet these veterans but we know they appreciate all we do.





Late Fall North Shore Ride



November 15, 2020

The sky's were overcast and the final leaves of fall were still colorful as RC Gary led 18 bikes and 19 members on a scenic North Shore ride. We enjoyed windy back roads to Wading River and back to Port Jefferson where we enjoyed a delicious lunch at Grumpy Jack's. Our members enjoyed a private dining room with good food and good friends. As always a big thanks to RC Gary for all the planning and the RC who keep up safe on the roads.





Sagamore Children's Hospital

November 22, 2020



After our November meeting our annual ride to Sagamore Children's Center was off and running. As most of 2020 the way we interact with each other also changed our annual ride to Sagamore. No police escort needed as we followed Santa himself on a 51 mile ride to Sagamore. We were met by Director Brad Richman and the staff with hot drinks and cookies. Because of social distancing we greeted the kids outdoors and drove around the facility and waved to the kids in the courtyard. We sang Christmas carols with the children outdoors led by our musical member Christine Smith. After a great visit with the kids Santa Sal led us on a scenic ride for lunch at Applebee's. As always big thanks to all our members who donated presents to make Christmas special for the kids.





Karver Grille Holbrook November 29 2020



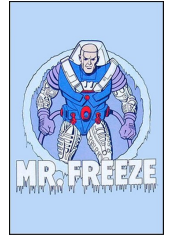
Despite a chilly morning, 21 bikes and 22 riders set out for a ride out east. We took the LIE out to Exit 69 and rolled through Manorville, past Rock Hill Country Club and into Eastport. We then caught the Sunrise Highway further east to the Quogue exit where we cruised Pleasure Drive through Flanders and worked our way toward Hampton Bays via Red Creek Road and Sears Bellows Road. From Sears Bellows we began to head back west along Montauk Highway with a stop in Quogue for a break. We continued west from Quogue and meandered through Westhampton Beach village and then through Remsenburg before working our way back to Sunrise Highway westbound to Waverly Avenue eventually landing at Karver's Grille in Holbrook. The folks at Karver's were very accommodating and everyone seemed to enjoy their lunch. It was great to see a solid turnout on a chilly morning of a holiday weekend and many had positive comments regarding the route.. Thanks to all that participated and thank you to all road captains who made it happen.





Gary's Artic Ride

December 6, 2020



RC Gary led seven brave riders on a chilly December ride. The brave frigid members enjoyed (not so sure) a 51 mile ride through Oyster Bay, Bayville, Muttontown and Old Brookville. After they were able to chisel themselves off their bike and enjoy a delicious lunch at Pastrami King in Merrick. A true test of their heated gear!





Triangle Pub Eastport NY



December 13, 2020

RC and Safety Officer Dom led a group of 15 bikes and 18 members on a leisurely ride on the North Shore. Unlike last weeks frigid temperatures Mother Nature gave us an extra spring day in December. We rode 51 miles on the back roads of the North and South Shore with no traffic worries ending at the Triangle Pub in Eastport. As always big thanks to Dom and all the RC who keep us safe and smiling!



ood day



JANUARY SAFETY ARTICLE

BY Dom Mozzone



New and Experienced Group Rider Safety Course:

Each month I write an article for our newsletter regarding specific scenarios of riding that most of us either experienced or had close calls encountering during a ride. Every time you mount up for a ride your senses need to be sharp and your mind clear so that you can focus on your surroundings while riding. During the last year I have written in the safety articles the aspects of riding that are critical to know in order to keep you safe. As with anything we do, too much over confidence during a ride can lead to complacency causing an Uh_Oh moment to pop up unexpectedly.

In our career requirements many of us need to attend continuing education classes for our respective specialties. Continuing Ed keeps us up to date on progress to perform our jobs effectively and enables us to be current on the latest technology and techniques. A riding class to brush up is no different, big time!

Each year I make arrangements with one of the motorcycle rider schools to conduct a rider safety class to sharpen our skills. I enroll in a rider safety course every other year and find it extremely beneficial, this year I'll be taking the class again. It provides me with riding safety techniques and different scenarios every time I have taken it. After each course I've taken it corrected the bad habits acquired since the last class and enhanced my control and confidence while riding. The course expense and time requirements are minimal; what you have to think about is: What it's worth to gain the knowledge to avoid that ah S*&t moment and potentially go down? It's a no brainer!!

This year is no different, at our February chapter meeting I will cover the projected date for our LIHR only Rider Safety Course later this spring that will be hosted by On The Road Again Motorcycle School. Many people over the years have taken advantage of the special pricing they afforded by booking an entire class of 12 LIHR riders. Feedback about the riding school is always positive regardless of your level of experience. As a riding club it's important to have safety as first and foremost with your road captains who train and plan each ride we take. They take their responsibilities seriously and critique each ride as to what can be done to improve our performance. If you are approached by one of our road captains about a ride, listen to what he/she has to recommend as it's for your and the club's safety. As always, your road captains are available for questions regarding any ride before and after its conducted.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting where more details of the motorcycle safety course will be provided. Ride often and safely!!!!



For a complete list of Charter Events and the latest information, visit www.LIHarleyRiders.com for details.

January 2021

December Birthday's

Griff Wolz 12/1
 Robert Sardoni 12/2
 Jeff Grube 12/6
 Celine Lieffrig 12/10
 Pat Donohue 12/12
 Rob Romano 12/12
 Gary Kinkel 12/14
 Mario Ruffolo 12/14
 Jimmy Hernandez 12/18
 Jerry Small 12/18
 Richard Turner 12/20
 Karen Garber 12/22
 Lance Margolin 12/22
 Bob Blair 12/24
 Philip Ciulla 12/26
 Pelops Damianos 12/27

January Birthday's

Joel_Schneiderman 1/3
 Gerry Roma 1/12
 Janet Peet 1/19
 Richard Roberts 1/19
 Bob Uldal 1/20
 Stanley Hoven 1/23
 Stephan Efthimiades 1/28
 Yelena Irzun 1/25
 Tina Doyle 1/27
 Sal Finocchiaro 1/31

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy New Year 	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Polar bear Ride HRC Sal	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 RC Jeff Smoky Bones	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Monthly Meeting RC Gary Pastrami King	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 RC Chris Ruggero's						



Upcoming Events

Charter rides that begin and terminate on Long Island are officially over when the destination is reached. If a Charter Ride leaves Long Island, the ride will officially end upon returning to Long Island. Official charter rides are "dry" rides, no alcohol. Helmets are required on all club rides.

Check your email, our website or facebook for last minute changes. Full tank of gas and empty bladder required for all Rides

Upcoming Rides

Our weekly weekend rides are back on, look for the emails for details!!!!

1/3/21 Polar Bear Ride cancelled due to rain!

1/10/21 Polar Bear Ride KSU 11 am Gemini HRC Sal

1/17 RC Jeff ride to Smoky Bones

1/24/21 Monthly Meeting Local ride RC Gary Lunch at Pastrami King

1/31 RC Chris ride to Ruggero's Wading River Exit 56 KSU 11 am



Remember to check the Hotline at (631)406-4170 1 1/2 hrs before KSU to hear updates and cancellations



UPCOMING EVENTS

Polar Ride 1/3/21 Rain date 1/10/21

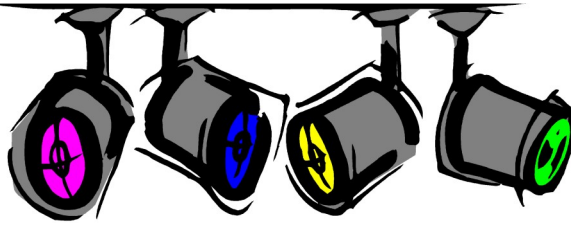
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