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## President's Point of View, by Ed Reiff

Here comes the colder weather. We are quickly closing in on the end of another riding season. We have ridden many miles and have gone on a lot of great rides. Our last off island ride saw some great roads and some fall foliage scenery and a really nice place for lunch. As always, this time of the year, we want to thank all the road captains for keeping us safe. We also want to thank all our officers, discretionary officers, and all the volunteers who during the year work so hard to make this the club that it is.



At our last monthly meeting we had the nominating process for electing our primary officers. The nominating process has kept 3 of our primary officers to remain on for another term as they were not contested. That would be Ed Reiff as President, Joe Giacalone as treasurer and Christine Vultaggio as secretary. Steve Ficalora was nominated to replace Bill as vice president and since it was also not contested, he will replace Bill Vultaggio moving forward in 2020. Bill Vultaggio is retiring and moving to New Hampshire, so we want to thank him for his service to the club and wish him well in his new life where every day is Saturday.

Coming up this month we have our last monthly meeting. We will have a turkey shoot after the meeting. Always a lot of fun. Next will be our annual Santa Clause ride for the children at Sagamore. December 8<sup>th</sup> is the date for that and a rain date of December 15<sup>th</sup> if needed. Please try to attend as the kids really look forward to this. Also, our holiday party is on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of December, sounds kinda spooky LOL. Tickets are on sale at the meeting or by mailing a check in to the PO Box. Remember, the quilt is being finished up and each member's ticket goes into the hat for the drawing. This will be the last meeting of the year and we can start looking forward to the new riding season of 2020.

Lynne is planning a couple of events for the winter months so keep reading the weekly emails and watch for announcements on facebook.

Ride safe, keep the shiny side up.



# October Meeting



Our October meeting was a quick one so we could enjoy our annual Octoberfest. President Ed Reiff reviewed this past months activities. The nominations for the 2020 executive board were made. Ed Reiff will continue as President, Steve Ficalora steps in as our new Vice President, Joe Giacalone will continue to be treasurer and Christine Vultaggio will continue as secretary. There will be no voting next month as the board is now set. We thank our hard working volunteer executive board for all they do all year long. Head RC Mario reviewed the upcoming rides. Dom Mazza reviewed the Sagamore Ride which is scheduled for December 8th (rain date 12/15) If you will not be able to attend this inspirational ride and would like to donate items they can be brought to the November meeting. Much needed items may also be dropped off at Ed Reiff's office or Dom Mazza's home. A representative from Sagamore will attend our November meeting.

The LOH have purchased much needed personal items for the Veterans Place. The Ladies will be packing the items November 1st at Annette's home if anyone would like to help us pack all are welcome, The club raised over \$1400 this year with the Poker Run. The Veterans Home is also looking for winter coats to help keep our vets warm this winter so check your closets. Our donations will be delivered on the clubs ride scheduled for November 10th. The Ladies weekend get away to Salem MA is all set to go October 25th and a good time is planned.

A movie night is planned for November for 15th, deserts to be provided and the movie is to be decided! Our Safety Officer Dom is already planning a week-long adventure for next year. He is planning a back road tour of New England for July 2020. We are always looking for new destinations and restaurants to try. You can leave your suggestions on our website or bring them to any of the officers at the monthly meetings!

Our 50/50 winners this month were Gay Mozzone 1st prize and Phyllis Scalia was our 2nd prize winner. Phyllis generously donated her winnings back to the club!

After the meeting Head RC Mario led 15 bikes on a scenic ride through Huntington and returned to the club house to enjoy our delicious Octoberfest!



This month's 50/50 winners!

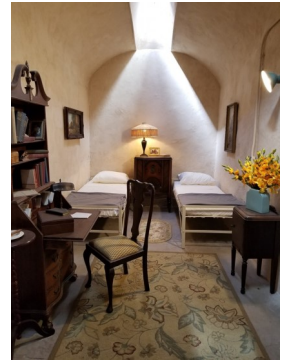




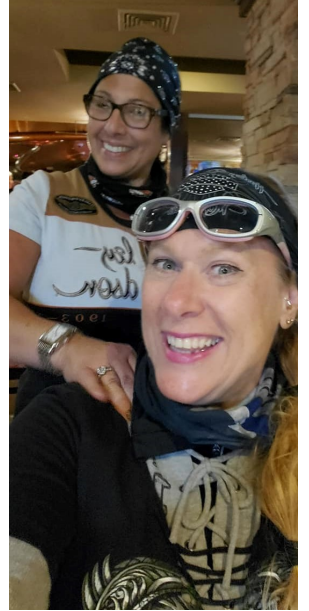
# Eastern States Penitentiary

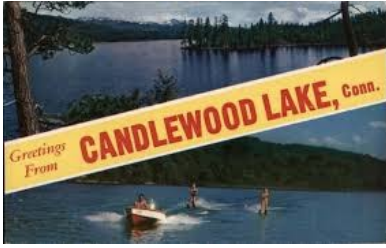
October 5th-6th

RC in training Chris Kuster led his first off island overnigher this weekend. Chris led 21 bikes and 32 members to the Eastern States Penitentiary in Philadelphia PA. After a chilly start the members got to tour this historic prison with a self guided audio tour. The members then did their own Philly Cheesesteak tasting and enjoyed the delicacy at several famous restaurants including Pats, Geno's and Spataro's in the Reading Market. After enjoying these delicacies some members enjoyed a short walk and visited the Liberty Bell. The evening entertainment included a delicious dinner at a local restaurant that provided transportation to the dinner and back to the hotel. Some of our braver members returned to the Penitentiary for a Haunted Tour at night. The next day the weather warmed up and we enjoyed some beautiful back roads in Bucks County that included two covered bridges and a stop at the local Harley Dealer for some retail therapy. Lunch was enjoyed at Peddlers Village for some yummy dishes. Chris led the club home with the usual traffic, but home safely. Big thanks to our RC's who kept us safe and our Web Master Rod Morgenweck who pitched in to help. Chris' first off island ride was a great success!



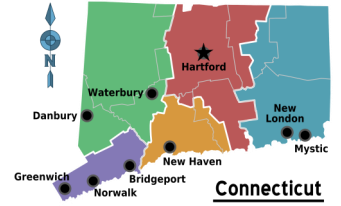
# Eastern State's Penitentiary





# Candlewood Lake

October 6, 2019



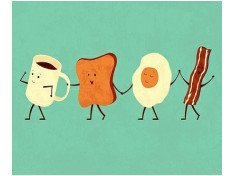
On October 6th RC Gary Kinkel led a small group of 6 bikes and 7 riders on off island ride to Candlewood Lake CT. The weather was overcast and cool but they enjoyed a scenic ride to CT and around Candlewood Lake with a warm and hearty lunch at Maggie McGee's. After warming up they enjoyed a safe ride back home!





# Steve's Brunch Ride

## October 13, 2019



RC Steve led a early brunch ride ending at the Flying Pig in Miller Place. Steve led 15 bikes and 20 riders on a beautiful back road only ride from Melville to Miller Place. Big thanks to our Activity Director Lynne who met us at the restaurant to secure us tables. The food was delicious and service was great. As always a big thanks to all the road captains who keep us safe. Phyllis Scalia would like to thank everyone who stayed behind to help her fix a flat. Phyllis picked up a ten-penny nail with disastrous results but our every ready members were able to fix the flat so Phyllis was able to get home safely. It was a great reminder to our members to be prepared for the worst. Our members were able to provide a patch kit, Fix a Flat and compressor which got her back on the road !





# Octoberfest

## October 20, 2019



Our October meeting was followed by the annual club Oktoberfest. A good time was had by all. Good food and good friends. The members provided the food and fun. We enjoyed hot dishes like beef stew, spaetzle, Schnitzel and gravy, bratwurst in a blanket, creamy German potato soup, potatoes and Kielbasa and hot soft pretzels. If we were not full enough a lavish desert spread with apple strudel, black forest cake and Greek cookies compliments of Georgia Foundotos. After filling our stomachs we had a beer stein holding contest. The winners for the Ladies division was Cindy Doerler and for the men was Chris Kuster. The winners went home with a \$25 gift card to Harley. As always a big thanks to our members who helped set up, prepared the feast and stayed to clean up. Can't wait to see what next years Oktoberfest brings!





# Ladies of Harley Weekend Salem, MA



## October 25-27 2019

The Ladies of Harley had a great weekend in Salem MA. Even though they had to four wheel it the group had an amazing time in Salem. Nine Ladies enjoyed a tour of Sturbridge Village and some retail therapy on Friday. Saturday the Ladies had a witch hat decorating contest which they proudly wore as they visited the House of Seven Gables and enjoyed a Bewitched Night tour of Salem. Our member Ginny Zeier was able to join the group traveling from Texas! Even though Sunday was a rain out the girls had a fantastic time! Big thanks to Annette Greco for all her hard work in planning a great time.



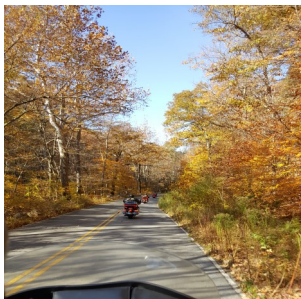
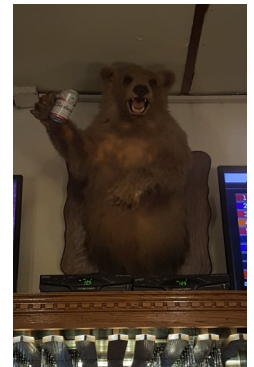




# Bear Mountain October 26, 2019



RC Joe led 10 bike and 11 riders on a beautiful sunny fall foliage ride. We rode a total of 215 miles through Bear Mountain State Park on Seven Lakes Drive and Lake Welch Drive. The Fall leaves were at their peak and we enjoyed some beautiful windy roads. Lunch was at the historic Muscoot Tavern. Built in the 1920's the tavern was a speakeasy and is known for its sloping floors and good food. After a delicious lunch the ride continued through beautiful Ridgefield CT, Salem and Pound Ridge NY on some windy hairpin roads for more beautiful scenery and fall splendor!





# Bike Nights 2019



As the weather gets cooler and Fall is upon us our weekly bike nights are winding down. We have had several get-togethers to end the season. As Winter comes in the bike nights will move indoors. We have a movie night planned for this month and the annual holiday party is all set to go. Thanks to Lynne Ficalora for all her hard planning and remember if you have any ideas send them to our website!



# November Safety Article

by Dom Mozzone

## Crossing Intersections:

On a Sunday last Sept, I opened the morning paper and saw something that made my heart sink with sadness. A biker, after riding a military escort to MacArthur Airport, was hit by a van broadside on Rt 454 that passed a red light. The biker was 44 years old with three children and as the story was written he was doing something he loved, riding and helping others. The story made me rethink of the #1 cause of injuries and death we all face when riding, crossing intersections. Bases on this man's tragedy I am reiterating an article I wrote about six months ago. It's that important!!



Whenever crossing an intersection you MUST anticipate that someone will do something that will create a major problem for you. Some examples: Stopping mid way into a turn or intersection, on coming left turns and people ignoring stop signs and red lights. Its been determined that the best ways to avoid an accident in these situations is: First, look at least 12 seconds ahead of your motorcycle. Your eyes should be scanning from left to right and up and down especially at intersections. The sooner you see the potential hazard, the more time you'll have to react instinctively and plan your approach. Second, since most accidents happen at intersections, slow down when approaching one, check to see if anyone is about to pass that red light or stop sign. Cover both your front and rear brakes as you get closer to the intersection. Position your bike to the left side of your lane. If you're going to have to swerve around the left turning vehicle, your swerve will usually be to the left around the back of the vehicle and then quickly back to the right. However, most of the time in that situation, your only course of action will be to stop quickly using both your front and rear brakes. That's why it is so important to take a safety course where they drill you through emergency stops and to practice emergency braking using both brakes. The average rider never practices emergency braking, consequently, in the situation I described, the average rider slams on the rear brake, locks the tire and skids right into the vehicle. Even if he misses the vehicle, he still slides onto the ground which can cause serious injury. This could have been an avoidable accident using awareness of an approaching hazard and instinctively preparing for a possible evasive maneuver. The bottom line is to always anticipate and be prepared for others who unintentionally; or, due to their intoxication causes us grief.

Don't be a statistic. Remember, when approaching intersections assume that someone will do something to cause you grief and be prepared to react in time to avoid it. Ride safe, ride often and have a blast!



For a complete list of Charter Events and the latest information, visit [www.LIHarleyRiders.com](http://www.LIHarleyRiders.com) for details.

# November 2019

## November Birthday's

Charlie Abruzzo 11/5  
 Sal Barbaro 11/29  
 Lynne Ficalora 11/7  
 Dennis Holz 11/24  
 Joe Imperial 11/21  
 Harry Kramer 11/21  
 Richard Massari 11/27  
 Dave Paduano 11/4  
 Ron Prwivo 1/30  
 Christine Vultaggio  
 11/20  
 Bill Vultaggio 11/6  
 Mark York 11/18

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 RC Fred-Flanagan's Pub	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 RC Nadine Veteran's Ride	11 	12	13	14	15 Movie Night 7:30	16
17 RC Sal O'Malley's	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Monthly meeting	25	26	27	28 	29	30



### Upcoming Events)

Ride to Veteran's Place 11/10/19  
 Movie Night 11/15/19 7:30 pm VFW Hall  
 Sagamore Children's Ride 12/8/19 (rain date 12/15/19)  
 Holiday party 12/13/19

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# December 2019

## December Birthday's

- Bob Blair 12/24
- Pat Donohue 12/12
- Karen Garber 12/22
- Jeff Grube 12/6
- Jim Hernandez 12/18
- Gary Kinkel 12/14
- Celine Lieffrig 12/10
- John Porter 12/6
- Rob Romano 12/12
- Mario Ruffolo 12/14
- Robert Sardoni 12/2
- Jerry Small 12/18
- Larry Vetter 12/6

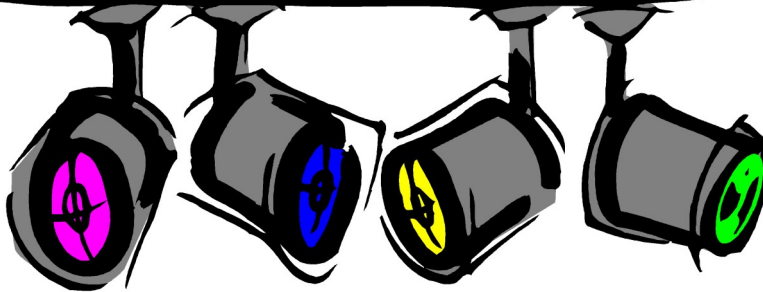
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<b>1</b> Local Ride RC Ralph	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Sagamore Ride RC Mario	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Holiday Party	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Local Ride RC Chris	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> Local Ride RC Steve		<b>24</b>		<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b>				



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## Upcoming Rides

11/3 RC Fred to Flanagans Pub in Ronkonkoma  
11/10 RC Nadine to the Veterans Place KSU 10:30 am exit 56  
11/17 RC Sal O'Malloys Southhold KSU 10:30am  
11/24 RC Dom following meeting destination TBD



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



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Movie Night November 15th VFW Hall  
Sagamore Holiday Ride December 8 (rain date December 15)  
Holiday party December 13

### How About a Big Cheer for Our Road Captains?

Head Road Captain: Mario Ruffolo, Asst. Head Road Captain: Sal Fino  
Steve Ficalora, Kerry Fletcher, Joe Giacalone, Fred (Grumpy) Hartmann, Nadine Hartmann, Gary Kinkel, Dom Mozzone, Ralph Norton, Ed Reiff, Bill Vultaggio



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**NEXT MEETING**  
November 24 2019  
10 AM

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