

BULL SHOTS JULY 2025

OLD TOWN CHAPTER - # 5039 HARLEY OWNERS GROUP TAMPA, FL

Director Dennis "Gomez" Adams

Happy 4th of July Old Town HOG Members. Hope you all had a chance to celebrate our independence with family and friends. Besides the 4th of July, this month we have the Founders Ride on the 12th. We celebrate our Old Town Founder J-Mac every July with a special ride to meet up with J-Mac's wife Marian. Unfortunately, I have a family event in New Jersey, so Past Director David Brown will fill in for me as Lead Road Captain. We always have a good turnout for this ride, so please come out and celebrate what our Founder had setup for us.

We also have another overnight ride leaving for Sturgis in July. There is still time if you want to head out on a Biker's Mecca of great riding. David does a great job filling the day with rides to points of interest and certainly a stop to mingle with the buffalo.

Our Assistant Director Harry Werner has officially kicked off our 20th PAWS Charity Event with a planning meeting in June. He has another meeting scheduled for July 17th at 7:00pm. Check out Harry's article for more details. We had a good turnout for the first meeting but could use more help for sure.

Cal and Kathy Reimann are off to a great start with the auction for Cal's Carving and Kathy's Quilt. Harry is working on the Gun Raffle, and we should be ready to start selling tickets for a chance to win one of the two guns. We will also sell food tickets and Clay Shoot teams entries at the next Chapter Meeting, on July 11th, at The Hilton Garden Inn.

Rainy season has hit with a vengeance. I had a week of riding home from work in the rain in June. Be sure to check email the morning of a ride if the weather looks nasty. We do not typically ride if there is lightning. The Lead Road Captain makes the call with our Head Road Captain if the ride is canceled. We also have changed the route at Kick Stands Up (KSU) to shorten the ride. Please arrive a half hour before KSU to get the latest from the Lead Road Captain. It is the Lead Road Captain that makes that call.

Membership is still increasing. We are up to 150 members now and growing. Introduce yourself to the new members and tell them about your experiences with the Chapter. Tell them why we are the greatest HOG Chapter around and great support for TBHD.



OTC FOUNDER
John "JMAC" McKelvey

Dennis "Gomez" Adams Director OTC 2024 - 2025

SUMMER HAS ARRIVED!

If you couldn't tell, summer has arrived! Temperatures and humidity are on the rise and, as Head Road Captain Gary Stein I'm sure will tell you, rides are going to be getting shorter in deference to the heat. Still, summer is a great time of year for fun, friends and great rides. And, let's not forget, the Fourth of July! This year, Gina and I will be back in Western New York to celebrate the Fourth with her family on the shores of Lake Erie. It's an annual event that never fails to inspire with bonfires around the bay and fireworks. Regardless of your political persuasion, I think we can all join in saying: God bless America!

Summer is also when we begin to gear up for our major fundraising effort in support of Dogs Inc, which we commonly refer to as PAWS for Patriots. That said, I wasn't aware until I was recently informed that Dogs Inc provides service and support dogs not only to service members and their families, but also to anyone who qualifies and is in need of a service or support dog. And yes, I am aware that there is no punctuation in Dogs Inc (which goes against my training as a lawyer!), but that is how they want it, so, so be it. Here's their new logo, which you will see (eventually) on the website, the Chapter Facebook page and on this year's flyers:



I have met with the folks at Dogs Inc to begin preparing for this year's activities. They are excited to have us visit them on August 23. There will be a short ride to their campus followed by a tour and a demonstration with the dogs. If you have never been to the Dogs Inc campus, or even if you have, it would be well worth your time to join us for that ride or meet us there. Following our time at Dogs Inc we will take a very short 5-minute ride to a new restaurant for lunch. So, come on out and join the fun!







As I said, we will be gearing up our fundraising activities. If you want to help out, in any capacity, please let me know – there's a lot of work to be done! If you have something you want to donate for our Chapter meeting "auctions," let me know and we can arrange a drop off or pickup. If you know someone, or work for someone, who may be willing to be a sponsor, let me know. In short, we can use all the help we can get to make this year's activities the best they can be. I thank you, in advance, for your help and support!

Hope to see you out and about this summer! Enjoy your time with your families, friends and, of course, your OTC "family"!

Harry Werner

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Drew's Views - When it Rains, it Pours...

Let's see. We cancelled a ride recently due to heavy rain. What should I write about?



← Can you ID this local landmark?

Per the National Weather Service, the rainy season in

West Central Florida runs from May 25 to October 10th, with August the rainiest month. So unless we put our bikes away from Memorial Day to Halloween, we will ride in the rain. And as the Best HOG Chapter in the southeast keeping it modest – we should strive to be extremely

competent wetweather riders.

You know I like maxims; this one

Since we live in the **lightning capital of the world**, I did not want to try to put just a few words of wisdom on lightning in this article; too important a topic for shortcuts. Instead, here's a link to a fairly comprehensive article on riding in lightning conditions: https://motorgearexpert.com/riding-a-motorcycle-in-a-thunderstorm-with-lightning/ In a word, "don't."

comes to mind when I think about riding in the rain: "Slow is smooth and smooth is fast." In other words, if you slow down your normal pace you will probably get there, and though it will take more time, the alternative - not reaching the destination - is a heck of a lot slower. And expensive. And painful. Or worse. So let's cover a few bits of rain-riding wisdom I gathered from reliable sources which I could fit on one page.

Vision and Visibility. Rain-X helps on the outside of the face shield, and some sort of anti-fog may help on the inside. Eyewear with yellow or orange lenses may also help your visual acuity, especially for daytime rain riding.

Waterproof gear. Is great, but visible waterproof gear is better. [Comment: In my view, raingear is not so much about keeping dry, but keeping comfortable. Water will find a way in, especially in Florida! Cheap gear won't keep you comfortable.]

Puddles. What may look benign could be a foot-deep pothole, or who knows what else. If unavoidable, steady throttle steady, keep the bike upright, and don't touch the brakes.

Stay relaxed. No abrupt acceleration or braking due to limited traction. Make all moves smooth and gentle. If you have to brake hard slowly squeeze the lever to load the front tire & compress the suspension, then gradually increase force as needed.

Find a dry line. Ride in the tire tracks of vehicles in front of you if possible. A car's wheel can act like a plow, pushing water out of the way. Soak up that dry pavement while you can!

Loosen up. Clinging to the bars with a death grip will a) tire you out faster, b) exaggerate the effects of any movements you make. Be smooth. And slow.

"Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass; it's about learning how to ride in the rain."

Drew Moores - OTC Safety Officer



- July 1st National Postal Workers Day
- July 4th 4th of July (Independence Day)
- July 7th National Strawberry Sundae Day
- July 15th— National Give Something Away Day
- July 21st National Ice Cream/Junk Food Day
- July 31st National Avocado Day

Ladies of Harley:

Hi everyone, just a reminder as summer is in full swing please make sure to stay hydrated and if you're in the sun make sure you have sunscreen on. Skin cancer is on the rise in the United States so please stay aware as this is something that can be prevented.

We have a lot of fun activities planned for the rest of the year so be sure to check our LOH Facebook page for updates.

LOH participated in the first PAW'S meeting of the year, and I have already sent out a Facebook announcement for a fundraising activity. I have checked in with Kathy Reimann on the quilt and it is coming along well. We need Volunteers to help staff the table to sell raffle tickets for the quilt. If you arrive early to the Chapter Meeting and can help with that, please let me know.

Upcoming LOH Events:

July 15th – LOH Meeting Beef O'Brady's Located at 2561 State Rd. 60 Valrico

Check the **Chapter Calendar** for locations and events!

Thank you all for supporting the best LOH group.

Bonnielee Amberg

Ladies of Harley Officer, 2025

Ladies of Harley is open to all women in the Chapter - - you do not need to be a rider to participate. You must however be an active full or associate member of HOG to be affiliated with Ladies of Harley. Although LOH is free of charge, membership is not automatic. If you would like to join, simply contact the national HOG office and request membership.

OLD TOWN HOG CHAPTER - BRANDON FL



CHAPTER MEETING

June 14, 2025

Chapter Webmaster Craig Collet introduced the 2025 officers: Secretary: Monica Byrnes, Treasurer: Kathy Reimann, Assistant Director: Harry Werner, and Director: Dennis Adams.

The meeting has been called to order at 7:30 pm by Director Dennis Adams.

The flag was presented by Walter Schneider. The Chapter then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Harry stated that the 1st PAWs for Patriots planning meeting will be on 6/19 at 7:00 pm to be held at the Tampa Bay Harley Davidson Dealership.

Dennis discussed Ride 365 – Please send your mileage to otcride365@gmail.com. For "2025 Lets Ride Challenge" Marty Cusack is your contact. He will update your mileage with just a photo of your odometer. So far, we are 11,000 miles behind for the year 2025.

Harry reminded everyone that we could visit the website, oldtownhog.com or Facebook page Old Town Harley for information on rides, the newsletter, photos, ride calendar, forum, Paws 4 Patriot forms, and contact information.

The attendees recognized and sang Happy Birthday to all members with June birthdays.

Membership Officer - Robin Bacchus said we had 148 members who signed up.

Treasurer - Kathy Reimann presented her Treasurer's Report to the group.

Activities Director - Renee Adkins- The game night is scheduled for 6/28. The Chapter will provide Pizza, salad, unsweet and sweet tea, and Lemonade. The attendees were asked to provide desserts.

Ladies of Harley Officer –Bonnie Amberg. The June LOH Meeting will be at Portillos on 6/17. The Road Captain Dinner will be held 6/25. Please reach out to Bonnie to let her know if you can provide a dish for the Road Captain Dinner. On 6/29, please come out to the Pottery Place.

Merchandise Officer – Pam Mangiaracina stated that they sold a lot of t-shirts, 3 badges and 1 hat at the meeting. If you were interested in ordering special T-Shirts, please get with Pam providing her with the colors, size and style that you would like to order. There will be more patches at the July meeting.

Safety Officer - Drew Moores said that the next Welcome Wagon Meeting will be on Sunday 6/15. Discussion will be directed at new members and discussion will be on the T-CLOCS Pre-ride inspection checklist. The Welcome Wagon Ride is going to Texas Roadhouse.

Head Road Captain - Gary Stein asked that you please pay attention to the pre-ride brief. The Road Captains will give specific instructions for their ride. "You are responsible for your safety as well as that of others." Gary also invited the "Retired" Road Captains to the Road Captain Appreciate Dinner, on 6/25.

June Rides

June 1st – Fat Willies Fish Camp – David Brown

June 3rd – Shells Seafood – Harry Werner

June 7th – Blackburn's BBQ – Harry Werner

June 8th – Solomon's Castle – Jack Hinton

June 10th – Lorita's – Gary Stein

June 14th – McGrath's Irish Ale House – Pete Barack
June 14th – Father's Day Event at TBHD
June 15th – Welcome Wagon – Texas Roadhouse – Drew Moores

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Dennis stated that if you want to become a road captain to please reach out to Gary Stein.

Next Board Meeting will be June 18th at 6:30.

Dennis stated that you can contact the Membership Officer, Robin Bacchus, to join the Chapter and/or go to the website for additional information and forms.

Harry explained that a 777 patch will be presented to any member who rides 777 one-way miles in one month's time. This does not include overnight rides. You can only receive the 777 patch once. Each year following that you ride 777 miles in one month you will receive a year patch. The next 777 month will be November.

There was six (6) Posse Patch Winners for May.

Old Town Posse Patch
Paul Keeney
Monica Byrnes
Bonnie Amberg *
Earl Awshee
Lori Bacchus
Craig Corlett

Dennis and Harry explained the Rider and Member of the Month awards: Member/Rider/Board Member/Road Captain of the Month awards presented to members having the most participation point/miles with a calendar month that have not previously was awarded within the calendar year.









Member of the Month – As of 5/31/25

Member of the Month - G Membership		
Craig Corlett	1st	12
Paul Keeney	2nd	10
Earl Awshee	3rd	9
Larry Snyder	3rd	9

Member of the Month - Bo Member/Road Captains		
Crafton Price	1st	12
Kathy Reimann	2nd	10
Dennis Adams	3rd	9



Rider of the Month – As of 5/31/25

Rider of the Month - Ger Membership		
Paul Keeney	1st	2122
Earl Awshee	2nd	2055
Steve Kolacki 3rd		2035

Rider of the Month - Board M Road Captains		
Crafton Price	1st	2236
Harry Werner	2nd	367
Craig Collet	3rd	294

Member of the Year – As of 5/31/25

Member of the Year - General Membership			
Name Points			
James Schmitz	70		
Daniel Evans	50		
Larry Snyder	47		
Steve Byrnes	46		
Luigi Cavallaro	41		
Sheri Philhower	35		

Member of the Year - Board Mem- ber/Road Captains		
Name Points		
David Brown	69	
Cal Reimann	69	
Bob Backus	67	
Gary Stein	49	
Kathy Reimann	48	
Harry Werner	46	

Rider of the Year – As of 5/31/25

Rider of the Year - General Mem- bership		
Name Miles		
Dan Evans	5316	
James Schmitz	3572	
Steve Kolacki	2770	
Luigi Cavallaro	2339	
Larry Snyder	2308	
Paul Keeney	2206	

Rider of the Year - Board Road Captains	Member/
Name	Miles
David Brown	5411
Bob Backus	5115
Cal Reimann	3124
Don Amberg	2893
Harry Werner	2854
Crafton Price	2604

Harry stated that OTC Members earned a total of 428 event points and have ridden a total of 24,849 miles in May 2025.



Year to Date Miles Ridden	86664
Year to Date Miles Available	6460
Year to Date Points Participated	2101
Year to Date Points Available	87
2nd Quarter Miles Ridden	44190
2nd Quarter Miles Available	3626
2nd Quarter Points Participated	839
2nd Quarter Points Available	36
May Miles Ridden	24849
May Miles Available	2615
May Points Participated	428
May Points Available	21

Dennis Adams said that there will be no Bike Night this month. Instead, there will be Skills Training Saturday.

Harry Werner stated that the PAWS for Patriots Planning Meeting will be June 19. We are looking for donations to auction at the Chapter Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to step up to assist on "OUR" Major Charity, Paws 4 Patriots.

Monthly challenge question for the June Newsletter – Becky Reimann

Ride Lotto – David Brown

Newsletter Reader – Bob Backus

T-shirt ride – Cal Reimann

Name Tag drawing – Monica Byrnes

Secret Greeter was Bonnie Long, and the winner was one of our newest members Frank Hudgens.

General Raffles: 1) Luigi Cavallaro's daughter Kim; 2) Chris Keeney; 3) Robin Bacchus

50/50 drawing – Renee Adkins

The next Chapter Meeting will be at the Hilton Garden Inn on July 11th.

The meeting concluded at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Byrnes, Secretary



OLD TOWN HOG CHAPTER – BRANDON FL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2025

The meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Director Dennis Adams.

Board Members Present: Dennis Adams, David Adkins, Renee Adkins, Bonnie Amberg, Robin Bacchus, Lori Bacchus, Monica Byrnes, Bob Backus, Dan Balla, David Brown, Len Goellner, Joe Hall, Jack Hinton, Patty Kopcho, Becky Reimann, Cal Reimann, Kathy Reimann, Gary Stein, Harry Werner.

Board Members Missing: Pete Barack, Craig Collet, Kat Jensen, Mike Mangiaracina, Pam Mangiaracina, Drew Moores, Crafton Price, Debbie Speicher,

Past Directors: Robin Bacchus, David Brown, Paul Fore, Cal Reimann, Marty Roland

Director: Dennis Adams

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer: **Kathy Reimann** – Kathy gave a report. A motion was made by Renee Adkins to accept the report; the motion was seconded by Bonnie Amberg and approved.

Secretary: Monica Byrnes – nothing to report

Membership Officer: **Robin Bacchus** reported 150 members with 0 waivers

Head Road Captain: Gary Stein stated that there is 17 active Road Captains. He mentioned LOH Road Captains Appreciation Dinner on 6/25 at 5:30 p.m. Gary stated that the ride will be based on the weather. If the weather is hot, there will not be as many long rides. He also stated that you should check the website, Facebook, etc. to see if there are ride cancellations due to the weather. The next 777 month will be in November.

Senior Road Captain: Bob Backus – all good

Senior Road Captain: Jack Hinton – all good

Senior Road Captain: David Brown the Sr. Road Captains are developing a check list as to what they are looking for in new Road Captains.

David stated that if you are buying a motorcycle at the Dealership, that you should wait for Marty. With the purchase of his bike, the Dealership couldn't find the pictures and the Commission would be split between the original Salesperson and the Salesperson who delivered the motorcycle.

Communication Officer: Pete Barack – not in attendance

Safety Officer: Drew Moores – not in attendance

Ladies of Harley Officer: Bonnie Amberg stated that the Ladies of Harley had a good meeting with many good suggestions. She said that the Road Captain Appreciation Dinner will be starting at 5:30 on 6/25. Bonnie lined up the Pottery Place on 6/29 to make pottery. It is open to both men and women. The LOH Meetings are scheduled as follows: July – Beef O'Brady's; August – Portillo's and September - Mission BBQ. The Dealership Appreciation Lunch will be held in August.

Activities – **Renee Adkins** stated that Game Night is scheduled for 6/28. The Club will supply the following: Pizza, sweet and unsweet tea and lemonade. She asked that you bring a dessert to share.

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Fundraising Officer: Len Goellner -50/50's are going well. Len is looking for donations for the raffles.

Harley Davidson Representative: Kat Jensen – not in attendance

Parliamentarian: Dan Balla – all good

Merchandise Officer: Pam Mangiaracina and Mike Mangiaracina – not in attendance. Kathy Reimann stated that they had placed an order for merchandise, and it should be here before the next meeting. She said that they also placed an order for 3 nametags.

Public Relations: **Patty Kopcho** – everything is going well. She is working to secure another company to place an ad.

Hugs: **Becky Reimann** is busy sending out HUGS to our OTC members and others.

Webmaster: Craig Collet – not in attendance

Newsletter Editor: Cal Reimann – articles are due by the 20th of the month.

Photographer: Debbie Speicher – not in attendance

Historian: Crafton Price – not in attendance

Members at Large: Joe Hall – all good

Members at Large: Mike Parker – all good

Members at Large: David Adkins - all good

Members at Large: Lori Bacchus – all good

Assistant Director: Harry Werner is working to kick off the 1st meeting for the Southeastern Guide Dogs – Paws for Patriots Program on Thursday 6/19. He stated that the Southeastern Guide Dog Marketing Team is working to update the forms. Harry said that he will get them posted as soon as they are available. There will be a ride & tour of their campus on 8/23. They hope to include a demonstration of the dogs in the pool. Following the tour, lunch will be at Grayson's Restaurant. Harry is looking for donations to be raffled off at the Clay Shoot in September.

He stated that there is a new program for Gold Star Mother's being organized at Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc. d/b/s Dogs Inc. in which Jillian will be the first dog recipient.

Jack Hinton said that he sometimes has trouble locating the documents regarding our fundraiser with Southeastern Guide Dogs. It was stated that they are working on a "click" link for donations.

Cal Reimann – all good

Marty Roland - not in attendance

Rick Vincent – not in attendance

Robin Bacchus – Pictures will be going up on the OTC Board as early as 6/19.

David Brown – David will donate a new vest with OTC Patch for the display board.

Open Discussion: **Dennis Adams** is working with Jason Whidden on the Chapter Meeting being held at the Dealership starting in January. He is working on a five (5) year contract with the Dealership regarding

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use of the Dealership for the meeting. With the change in Chapter Meeting location, we will be able to save money to purchase a cart and chairs for the meeting. Dennis was already given an office in the Dealership for storage. Dennis stated that Red Star will be working on a menu and prices for the meetings. With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, *Monica Byrnes*, *Secretary*



Ride Lotto is a Chapter participation program that started in July 2020 and will continue as long as there is interest. This is completely voluntary and there is no obligation to participate.

How it works:

Each ride you attend for the month, whether you do the ride or meet at the destination you have the option to participate in the Ride Lotto. If you choose to participate, you pay \$1 to the Road Captain that is taking attendance for the ride. The Road Captain will track your participation on the ride roster and collect your \$1.

- Ride Lotto will be available to participate in for all Chapter rides on the calendar each month.
- For every ride you attend and choose to participate in the Ride Lotto by paying \$1, you get one entry in the drawing. By the end of the month, if you participated in all the rides, you would have multiple entries in the Ride Lotto for that month's drawing.
- You cannot buy entries in the Ride Lotto. You must be <u>present</u> at KSU, on the ride, or meet at the ride destination to pay for an entry in the Ride Lotto.
- The Ride Lotto entries are tracked just like the ride mileage and attendance is tracked for each ride.
- At the Chapter Meeting there will be a drawing for the winner of the Ride Lotto for the
 previous month's rides. The person that is picked from the drawing MUST be present to
 win (spouses, family members or significant others cannot claim the prize for that
 person).
- If you are not at the Chapter Meeting and your name is drawn, then the Ride Lotto rolls over to the next month and will be added to the money collected for the Ride Lotto for the next month's drawing.
- All the money in the Ride Lotto is given to the winner if present at the meeting.
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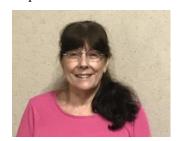
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WELCOME BACK RETURNING MEMBERS!

Eddie Walker

WE ARE 150 MEMBERS STRONG!

We're glad you joined the Old Town Chapter and look forward to seeing you on our Chapter Rides and participating at our events. If you have any questions about Chapter events, please contact our Director, Dennis Adams. Remember, you must maintain your National HOG membership to maintain your membership in the Old Town HOG Chapter. Any member who lets their national HOG membership expire will be put as "inactive" in the Old Town Chapter and will no longer be eligible to receive the newsletter!

July Birthdays



Daniel Ellis
Deborah Speicher
Cathy Hutchinson
Edi Shapiro
Missy Williams

Greg Moore
Ben Philhower
Barry Shapiro
David Brown
Kim Capaz

Chapter membership forms no longer ask for a member's birthday; we are unable to modify these forms as they are provided by National HOG. If you would like to share your special day with us, please contact/email our Membership Officer,

His Contact information: Robin Bacchus 813.415.5011 casybritt@aol.com

DID YOU READ OUR NEWSLETTER?

Send an email by **Friday**, **July 11th** @ 1pm to otcnewsletter@hotmail.com with a subject line of:

STURGIS BOUND 2025

(don't forget to include your full name in the email for a chance to win a \$25 H-D gift card.)



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Florida's "Move Over Law" - Motorcycle Safety Tips

In Recent News: A motorcyclist was "ejected" from his bike and propelled into the back of a Road Ranger truck stopped on the side of the highway, and his motorcycle hit the back of an SUV the Road Ranger was assisting. As the investigation is pending, there may be a question of whether another vehicle caused the biker to hit the Road Ranger's stopped vehicle. Tragically, the biker died as a result of the crash and the Road Ranger himself (sitting in the truck) may have catastrophic or life-threatening injuries.

Florida Statute 316.126 (Paraphrased)

If an authorized emergency vehicle, sanitation vehicle, utility service vehicle, wrecker, road, bridge maintenance, construction vehicle, or a disabled vehicle is stopped on the side of the road displaying warning lights or hazard lights ... the driver of every other vehicle, as soon as it is safe shall "vacate" the lane closest to such vehicles when driving on a highway with two or more lanes traveling in the direction of the emergency vehicle.

If such movement cannot be safely accomplished, the driver shall slow to a speed limit 20 mph less than the posted speed limit when the posted speed limit is 25 mph or greater or slow down to five (5) mph when the posted speed limit is 20 mph or less, except when otherwise directed by law enforcement officer. A violation may result in a traffic infraction, punishable as a "moving violation" with related fine and points added to your driver's record.

As a motorcyclist, we must be extra alert, attentive and watchful of our surroundings and must move over (or reduce our speed if we cannot move over). We must also have "situational awareness" as we are extremely "vulnerable" to hazards – sometimes faced with multiple hazards at the same time. This is especially true in rush hour or congested traffic situations. By following the rules, we considerably increase our chances of keeping ourselves and others alive. Additionally, a violation of the law results in a fine and points on your driver's license, which can lead to other consequences.

By having situational awareness and following the "Move Over Law", we significantly reduce risks of being involved in a crash, towards protecting ourselves, our emergency responders and many others.

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	Old Town Chapter	ter		Calendar	July	July 2025	Brandon, FL
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursda	Friday	
	Service of the servic		1 Fatburger 9950 Upper Alafia Ct, Riverview, KSU @ 7pm from TBHD RC Pete Barack	a	r	4	5 Breakfast Station - Zephyrhills Loop Ride back to TBHD KSU @ 9:15am from RaceTrac (Telecom Dr. and Fletcher Ave.), 57mi, 0RS, 2.5hrs. (including breakfast) HRC Gary Stein Independence Day Grilling Showdown @ TBHD 12-2pm
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S	Sturgis 2025 Day 2	Sturgis Day 3	Sturgis Day 4	Sturgis 2025 Day 5	Sturgis Day 6	Sturgis Day 7	Sturgis 2025 Day 8
27 P.U 81 81 RC	27 Pudgees Eatery and Market KSU @ 8:30am from TBHD, 81mi, 1RS, 3hrs. RC Robin Bacchus	28	29 O'Briens Irish Pub 701 W. Lumsden, Brandon, KSU @ 7pm from TBHD	30	31 Sturgis Day 13, KSU @ 8am from Comfort Suites 103 Dunbar Rd., Byron Ga, 336mi, 9hrs. SRC David "Figure 8"		
5	Sturgis 2025 Day 9	Sturgis Day 10	Sturgis Day 11	Sturgis 2025 Day 12			

Come ride with us! Check out our website @ http://www.oldtownhog.com

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Harley Owners Group



This month's Chapter Meeting is: JULY 11, 2025 at the Hilton Garden Inn

4328 Garden Vista Drive, Riverview, FL 33578
Social Hour from 6:00 PM—Meeting starts at 7:30 PM



Next month's Chapter Meeting is:

August 1, 2025
at the Hilton Garden Inn
4328 Garden Vista Drive, Riverview, FL





Come out and join us for our WELCOME WAGON DISCUSSION & RIDE

July 13th from 10 - 11am in the Colonel Ron Rook Training Room at TBHD Class is followed by a short (approx. 50 mi) ride.



Chapter Meeting Schedule for 2025

January 3rd - Past July 11th February 7th - Past August 1st 7th - Past March September 5th October 4th - Past April 3rd 2nd - Past May November 7th

June 13th - Past Nov. 29th Christmas Party



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