

Blackstone Valley Chapter #4735

SWINE TALK

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Head HOG

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Hello fellow Blackstone members... Hope you have all been enjoying this great weather.

It was great to see everyone that showed up for the Chapter cookout and photo shoot at last month's meeting. The event was well attended and we haven't had the opportunity to take a group photo in a few years. A big thank you to everyone that took care of the food,

arrived early to setup, cook and all around helped out, it was very much appreciated.

Believe it or not, our 24th annual Christmas is for Kids charity ride is just around the corner. We can always use some help, whether it is at Precision helping with registration, parking and staging bikes, or we can always use help at the Elks to help serve food to our guests. Please if you can help out, see any one of the officers and let them know, since many hands make light work. Let's hope Mother Nature is in a good mood this year and provides us some favorable weather, as this is a rain or shine event.

Looking forward to seeing you on the road. Still lots of nice rides coming up so check the calendar, the Swineline and the website for updates and destinations that are in the future.

Until next time...

Always a good time with Blackstone.... the best damn chapter in all of HOG...

Dave

Precision Harley-Davidson

Deputy HOG



Summer may be over but riding season is still in full swing. Fall is a beautiful time to ride. We have many days where the weather is comfortable and the colors are spectacular!

Consider combining the fun of riding while helping a good cause. We have two rides this month: Boneyard BBQ Dana Farber Charity ride takes place on Sept. 17th and Minuteman's Home for Our Troops Charity ride takes place on Sept. 24th. Both are great causes and both have lots of food and music at the end of the ride. What more could you ask for?

You want seafood? September seems to be seafood month too! Red's Eats, Abbot's Lobster, and Woodman's Clams are all on the menu. Long time favorites to satisfy your appetite.

We have more new members joining every month. Tell them your favorite rides and invite them to join us. We have awesome road captains and even the same destinations often have new twists in the routes they come up with.

And don't forget that we our Christmas is for Kids ride coming up the first Sunday in November. Spread the word now, invite your friends and family.

We really do have a ride for everyone and LOTs of riding season still to come. Why? Because we are Blackstone- the best damn Chapter in HOG!

Ride Safe!!

~ Diane

Next Chapter Meeting Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017 - <u>7:30PM</u> North Attleborough Elks

HOG Mileage Program Updates



H-D H.O.G. has announced Two New Additions to the HOG Mileage program starting January

1st! They are going to recognize members passion for riding with two NEW benefits, RIDE365 Annual Recognition & RIDE365 Chapter Challenge! The current RIDE365 Lifetime Recognition program remains unchanged.

RIDE365 Annual Recognition will track your mileage from January 1st to December 31st and reset each New Year. Members can register their motorcycle(s) at the Dealership at any time during the year. Members will earn recognition and rewards from H.O.G.

RIDE365 Chapter Challenge will track the aggregate total mileage for registered members in each H.O.G. chapter for a calendar year. At the end of each year two chapter categories will be acknowledged - Highest Total Mileage and the Highest Average Mileage per Member.

Get involved NOW, register your bike in the RIDE365 Lifetime Recognition program & get recognized for the thing you love to do - Riding your H-D Motorcycle!

Fill out the form on the next pages and bring it to your Friendly H-D Dealership today and you'll be ready to ride come January 1st!

~ Submitted by Kevin Morris



H.O.G.[®] MILEAGE RECOGNITION FORM



SEE OTHER SIDE FOR PARTICIPATION FORM

Get riding! And while you're at it, earn pins, patches and motorcycle medallions – all for riding your Harley-Davidson⁺ motorcycle!

- 1. Participation is offered exclusively to all active H.O.G. members.
- 2. Mileage Recognition includes only Harley-Davidson motorcycles.
- 3. Enroll by completing this form.
- 4. Your VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) and current mileage must be on the form.
- 5. All forms must be endorsed by a Harley-Davidson dealer.
- 6. IMPORTANT NOTE: Each motorcycle must be enrolled prior to accumulating miles in Mileage Recognition.
- 7. Harley-Davidson' Authorized Rentals mileage may be credited by submitting a copy of the contract indicating mileage.

LOWING LEVELS:			
MILES	KILOMETERS		
1,000	1,610		
5,000	8,050		
10,000	16,100		
25,000	40,250		
40,000	64,400		
60,000	96,600		
80,000	128,800		
100,000*	161,000*		
125,000	201,250		
150,000	241,500		
175,000	281,750		
200,000*	322,000*		
250,000	402,500		
300,000*	483,000*		
* Special medallions and rockers, suitable for placement or your Harley-Davidson motorcycle, will be awarded for			

MILEAGE ACHIEVEMENT PINS AND PATCHES ARE <u>EARNED BY</u> REACHING THE FOLLOWING LEVELS:

your Harley-Davidson motorcycle, will be awarded for each 100,000mile achievement. Awards continue beyond the 300,000-mile level at 100,000-mile increments.

NOTE: To convert kilometers to miles, divide kilometers by 1.61.

Special medallions and rockers, suitable for placement on your Harley-Davidson motorcycle, will be awarded for each 100,000mile achievement. Awards continue beyond the 300,000 -mile level at 100,000-mile increments.

NOTE: To convert kilometers to miles, divide kilometers by 1.61.

MAIL FORM TO: H.O.G. Mileage Recognition, P.O.Box 453, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0453 FAX: 414-343-4515



H.O.G.[®] MILEAGE RECOGNITION FORM



SEE OTHER SIDE FOR PROGRAM DETAILS

Get riding! And while you're at it, earn pins, patches and motorcycle medallions – all for riding your Harley-Davidson[®] motorcycle!

Rider Email		
First Name	Last Name	
Street Address		
City	State	ZIP
Home Phone Number		
Home Phone Number	H.O.G. Number	
	(including Country Code)	
Passenger Email		
First Name	Last Name	
Street Address		
-		
City	State	ZIP
Home Phone Number	H.O.G. Number	
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IMPORTANT NOTE: Each Harley-Davidson motorcycle must be enrolled prior to accumulating miles. (VIN = Vehide Identification Number)

FILL OUT THIS SECTION TO:

ENROLL (START IN THE MILEAGE RECOGNITION) OR ADD ADDITIONAL BIKE(S)

VIN	Current Odometer	Miles Kilometers
VIN	Current Odometer	Miles Kilometers

FILL OUT THIS SECTION TO: REPORT MILEAGE FOR ENROLLED BIKE(S) OR FOR BIKE(S) SOLD			
VIN	Current Odometer	Miles Kilometers	
VIN	Current Odomet er	Miles Kilometers	
VIN	Current Odometer	Miles Kilometers	

DEALER ENDORSEMENT (REQUIRED):		
Dealer Name	Dealer Number	
Dealer Signature	Date	
(I hereby certify that the information on this form is correct)		

Over the shoulder...a peek at some recent events!!

As is always the case with Blackstone, it has been a BUSY summer so far!!! Have we mentioned recently that we are one of the—if not the absolute—hardest-riding clubs in all of HOG?!?!?!

Take a look back at the August calendar. We helped with the demo truck weekend at Precision HD (and got in a few rides ourselves!!), We had a covered-bridge ride, two dinner rides, two (or was it three) mystery rides, our chapter BBQ and photo-shoot, trips to the Bach Dor, Janine's Frostee, a night out at the Paw Sox, and the annual Nation of Patriots Ride, to name a few!! I'm exhausted just thinking abut it all. Of course we could never do it without our absolutely <u>AWESOME AND</u> <u>AMAZING</u> Road Captains, and our dedicated and devoted members. Give them all a bow and a great big "Thank you!!"

Dinner rides to a couple of old favorites, Emma'sPub & Pizza and Alberto's, both in Norton MA, were courtesy of Chuck Ehrenberg and Rusty Richmond, respectively.

Our BBQ and photo was held in place of our August meeting at the Elks, and we thank the many members who helped from organizing, picking up food and supplies, to setting up, to cooking over a smoking hot grill on a smoking hot night, to serving and cleaning up: especially Paul G, Chuck E, Rusty & Patty, Diane, and Bill M!



One of the mystery rides also deserves a special note of thanks. On Saturday, 8/19, Joe Albert led a ride to....Errol and Lucy's house where they hosted a really nice meal and a great afternoon of hospitality as only BVH-folk can do it. Amazing, thank you both so much!!

Over the shoulder...a peek at some recent events!!

Rick Philips arranged a night at a Paw Sox game for us. About 14 or so of us gathered for a night of professional baseball (too bad we lost), lots of laughs, and a fantastic fireworks show. We had awesome seats and a great view of the action. Thanks Rick!



McCOY STADIUM CROS







Special Annual Event—Nation of Patriots

On Sunday and Monday, 8/20 & /8/21, Blackstone was once again honored to be invited to take part in this very special ride. For those of you who don't know what this ride is all about, here is a little back-story, excerpted from their website: <u>http://www.nationofpatriots.com/tour</u>

One American Flag. 110 Days. 14,500 Miles. Honoring our nation's Military

Every year Nation of Patriots[™] organizes a national effort to honor America's Armed Forces - Past, Present, and Fallen. This united effort is known as the Patriot Tour[™]. Usually it starts on Memorial Day weekend. A massive group of riders escorts one American Flag on the back of a motorcycle to the first of many destinations. Upon arrival, the flag is transferred to the new escort. The next day the Flag is escorted to another designated location...and on and on for over 100 days, through all 48 continental states. The Flag finally makes it full circle and lands right back in WI where several thousand Americans gather to honor America's Military members and raise support for those wounded in their service.

Nation of Patriots[™] is a 501(C)3 nonprofit organization that works on a national level to promote the awareness of and financially support the physical, emotional, and economic misfortune that our wounded veterans and their families are living with today and every day.

The organization was formed in 2008 and launched the very first Patriot Tour[™] in 2009. Their goal is to unite Americans beneath the banner or Flag and behind the men and women serving in the Armed Forces. They raise money and distribute it directly to the families they strive to support. They are a 100% volunteer nonprofit. 100% of all donations received go directly to the veterans. *Continued, next page...*



Nation of Patriots, continued...

Of the more than 1,400 HOG chapters on the US, it really is an incredible honor for Blackstone to be among the chosen to take part in this ride.

In past years, we have ridden with the flag and flown it at Battleship Cove in Fall River, to Otis AFB on the Cape, to the Naval Submarine Base in New London CT, and last year to the US Coast Guard Station in Chatham, MA.

This year, following the always moving official ceremony to receive the flag from the TSI chapter from Ellington CT, Joe Albert led us as we took the flag on a ride to the Seabee Memorial Park in North Kingstown, RI.

The following morning, Dave Paille led a ride to deliver it to the Boston chapter to continue it on its way. This is a truly joyful and memorable way for us to remember how blessed we are as a nation to have the military veterans that have served over the centuries.







This is your newsletter!

Have a riding story? A great place to ride and eat? Vacation spot? A ride review? Anything to share with your fellow members? Feel free to participate and add to it. Email Editor at newsletter@bvhog.com



Upcoming Events

Please arrive early with a full tank of gas. The Road

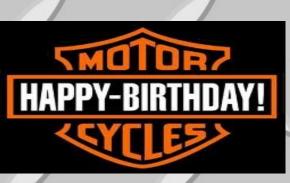
Captain will give a pre-ride brief approximately 10 minutes before kickstands up.

Check out the calendar for all the upcoming activities.

Date	Time	Event	Event Info	
Thursday 9/14/2017	, 7:30 PM	General Membership Meeting (M)	Elks North Attleboro	
Saturday 9/16/2017	, 7:00 AM	Red's Eats, Wiscasset, ME (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Dave M.
Sunday 9/17/2017	, 9:00 AM	Abbott's Lobster, Groton, CT (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Kevin M.
Sunday 9/17/2017	, 9:30 AM	BoneYard Barbecue Dana Farber Chari- ty Ride	Leaving from Man-Mar	Mark L.
Saturday 9/23/2017	, 9:00 AM	BT's Smokehouse, Sturbridge, MA (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Pete C.
Sunday 9/24/2017	, 9:30 AM	Minuteman Charity Ride (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Dave P.
Saturday 9/30/2017	, 9:00 AM	Woodman's Clams, Essex, MA (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Pete C.
Sunday 10/1/2017	, 9:00 AM	Viking Toy Run (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Rusty
Thursday 10/5/2017	, 7:30 PM	Officers Meeting (M)	Elks North Attleboro	
Thursday 10/5/2017	, 6:30 PM	Activities Meeting (M)	Elks North Attleboro	
Saturday 10/7/2017	, 9:00 AM	Bubs BBQ, Sunderland, MA (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Dave M.
Sunday 10/8/2017	, 8:00 AM	Apple Pie Run, Dummerston, VT (C)	Leaving from Man-Mar	Paul

Blackstone Birthdays





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Firm	Locke	9/5
Joe	Viamonte	9/9
David	Paille	9/10
Tim	Trenger	9/11
Don	Green	9/17
Nancy	Trenger	9/19
Bob (Bubba)	Authier	9/20
Joe	Haskins	9/28
Joe	Walsh	9/29
Danielle	Legere	10/26



When you see these members make sure to wish them a happy day!!!

And also let's give a warm and hearty "Welcome to the family" to our newest member, Mark Wellington!!

> Did we miss your birthday? Our apologies! We might not have it on record! E-mail the Editor: <u>newsletter@bvhog.com</u>

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New Members

We all know that riding with our friends is the best. Do you have any Harley-buddies that aren't H.O.G. members? Why not invite them along for a ride and let them find out for themselves what a great time they can have as a member of the Blackstone Valley Chapter?

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In Loving Memory Of

Walter McAuley 1946-1998 Rick Kane 1956-1999 Paul M. Ledoux 1937-2000 Richie Adamaitis 1951-2002 Leroy Richardson 1957-2005 Allen Moulton 1947-2005 Carlton Conrad 1946-2006 George Buttlar 1956-2008 James Berry RIP 2008 John C. White 1944-2009 Peter LaPlume 1955-2009 Bill "Laghapper" Johnson 1058 20



Ray Guimond 1952-2013 Jackie Roselli 1940-2013 Tom Leuthold 1960-2013 Rick Torrey 1944-2014 Greg Offringa 1948-2015 Paul LaPlume 1951-2015

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