

# Log for 2017

## December

### Thursday 7th - Club Night - [Photos](#)

Christmas Club Night took place in the dealership where nibbles and refreshments were provided and saw the spectacular return of the ever popular Fashion Show. If this was not enough, details of the Weekends Away programme for 2018 were announced.

## November

### Saturday 25th - End of Season Party – [Photos 1](#) | [2](#) | [3](#) | [4](#)

*"130 members and guests in a variety of costumes from Ozzy Osbourne to Andy Pandy (oh sorry Ziggy Stardust?) including pimps, Abba, disco chicks. The dancing started before dinner with tunes provided by Rob Paston and live music by the excellent Groove Republic. The Hogsback hotel served us well once more and a few sore throats and banging heads at breakfast. Sadly my last duty as activities officer but one hell of a swansong!"*

**Crippo**

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### Sunday 19th - LoH Lunch - [Photos](#)

21 ladies enjoyed a festive LoH lunch, organised by our LoH officer Ruth Palmer at the Red Lion Shamley Green, with lots of laughs especially over the Secret Santa!

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### Wednesday 15th - First Air Course - [Photos](#)

An evening well spent getting to know the latest 'best Practice' when attending and being 'First at Scene' of a RTA (road traffic accident). Our instructor Ryan made it clear from the outset it's best to 'do something rather than nothing' when confronted with someone who clearly needs your help.

Thank you again to those who gave up their time to attend. This valuable information may be needed not only when out riding but when you are with your own family! Just 2 hours of reassuring training could make the difference one day!

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### Sunday 12th - Remembrance ride - [Photos 1](#) | [2](#)

After a 2 minute silence at Ryka's, ride leader Andy England led a total of 54 bikes and 3 trikes to for Shamley Green. Sally our favourite vicar greeted us all as usual and we all lined up around the War Memorial where Gordon read out a poem he had composed himself and very good it was. Wreaths were laid and Del played the Last Post and that was that, goodbyes and a cold ride home. Big thanks to Thames Valley Chapter, Dik and Paul for back marking, Del for the music, Gordon for his poem and of course the Chapter members for freezing to death to pay their respects.

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### **Thursday 2nd - Club Night - Photos**

Busy Club Night with lots of members turning up on bikes. Two events for 2018 were announced: Charity Race Night in January and Winter Ball in February. Jim Cordell was announced as the new Trike Rep and Axel retained his position as Head Photographer. The various changes to Road Crew were announced. Recognition was given to the recent Iron Hoggers. Congratulations to Susan Andrews for winning the prize draw which was a massive £1690!

## **October**

### **Sunday 29th - Spooky Ride - Photos**

Cliff Michie supported by Chris and Richard led 14 bikes and 2 trikes on a leisurely ride to Brookwood Cemetery (Western Europe's largest civilian cemetery). The 2 trikes were supported by newly appointed road marshal Stephen Foster. On arrival, after tea & coffees, we were treated to a guided tour of part of the old cemetery. At the end of the tour those that didn't go straight home were led by Cliff to the Fair Oaks Airport Cafe for some light refreshments.

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### **Saturday 28th - Harleyween @ GH-D - Photos**

### **Saturday 28th - Caen Locks ride - Photos**

On a lovely sunny autumn day, Robin Seymour led 18 bikes (20 members) to the Plains via Thrupton race circuit for coffee and on to the Black Horse for 12:30 where Ian and Julie Newton were waiting to join the ride. After lunch, and a gawp at the locks, we headed back over the Plains via a different route and ended the ride on the A303 service area just short of the A34. Goodbyes were said and thanks to the back markers Dell Evans and Trevor Rawlings, there were no issues and all safely returned.

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### **Sunday 22nd - Battle of Trafalgar ride - Photos**

Chris North led 17 bikes and 2 trikes from the muster point in Guildford along some leafy roads through Surrey and Hampshire to Fort Nelson which is situated on the hills just above Portsmouth, and was assisted by Paul Andrews and Steve Routh (back markers) and Cliff Mitchie (trike back marker). The 12lb Royal Navy Cannon as used in the battle was silenced not by the French, but by a fork lift truck which had broken down and couldn't be lifted off its transport! However, the Museum which is a fantastically interesting place fired a modern 25lb howitzer instead.

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### **Saturday 21st - The Marvels of Meccano ride - Photos**

The Marvels of Meccano ride had to be altered due a lack of interest probably caused by the bad weather forecast! So with just Liz Getgood and Peter Hardman, ride leader Henning Roesch decided to visit RH-D instead, and all had an enjoyable ride there and back. Better luck next time!

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### **Sunday 15th - Southampton H-D ride - Photos**

On a warm dry October morning 19 bikes made their way down to Southampton Harley-Davidson. Paul Taylor and Steve Routh back marked for Gary Tew on his last outing as ride leader. The mainly non motorway ride took us through Winchester and Romsey before a short hop on the M271 into the dealership. Teas, coffees, and breakfasts were the order of the day before a blast back for most along the M3 towards home.

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### **Saturday 14th - Boat House Breakfast ride - Photos**

Ride to Littlehampton was led by Paul Taylor with Trevor Rawlings and Gary Tew as back markers. The ride home was led by Axel, with support from Trevor and Henning Roesch.

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### **Sunday 8th - Brunch in the Castle ride - Photos**

### **Thursday 5th - Club Night - Photos**

Another busy Club Night and the fine weather meant that a lot of members turned up on their bikes!

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### **Sunday 1st - East Beach Café ride**

My back marker (Steve Cork) and I waited at Burger King in light rain for keen bikers to turn out to join my ride to the coast but after 40 minutes or so it was apparent that nobody was coming. We then returned home to dry ourselves out!

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## **Sunday 1st - Brightona ride - Photos**

## **September**

## **Saturday 30th - Dealership New Bike Launch - Photos**

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## **Fri 29th - Mon 2nd Oct: Blazin Blitz - Photos**

Ride leader Pete Ostinelli led 6 bikes from GH-D to the Rally venue with a stop for lunch en route at the Ship Inn, where we met some other HBC members, just before crossing over the bridge onto Hayling Island. The route down was done on some very nice country roads, so traffic was at a minimum and there was nothing to report apart from some bikes being somewhat dirtier than they were when they left GH-D! The weekend was a massive success, as always, and for the HBC members who stayed until the Monday, a led ride (Peter Ostinelli) was offered for the route home.

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## **Thursday 28th - Model Year 18 VIP Launch Night - Photos**

Toby and his team showed off the latest models in the Harley range to an enthusiastic and appreciative audience.

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## **Sunday 24th - Kempton Steaming ride - Photos**

14 bikes met up at Blackbushe airport and set off to the Kempton Steaming museum at Snakey Lane Hanworth. Ride leader Malcolm Bradley was ably assisted by Gary Tew and Cliff Michie at the back. Although the destination is just at the end of the M3 we managed to find an interesting route taking in a variety of roads and picked up Dell and Wendy on the way.

As well as the biggest triple expansion engine in world being in steam and running, Kempton was also hosting a classic car and bike event. This meant that we were allowed to ride up to the very front of the building and put our beautiful gleaming Harleys on display for all to admire. As we were right on top of the A316/M3 junction no ride back was required and people left as and when they wanted to.

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## **Saturday 23rd - Grayshott Pottery ride - Photos**

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### **Fri 22nd - Sun 24th: Wombling the Wolds - Photos**

A sunny morning at the Cobham Services saw 22 riders and 13 bikes set off with ride leader Charlie Gordon to womble in the Wolds of North Lincolnshire.

- First stop of the day at the Shuttleworth collection, where we lucky enough to have a group photo taken standing in front of a Hurricane.
- Next stop was the Harley Davidson dealership in Rutland which gave the shoppers amongst us a chance to have a good look round.
- Lunch at the Horse and Jockey at Manton near to Rutland Water. Suitably refreshed and having left the A1 behind enjoyed a ride a through the Lincolnshire country side to the White Swan at Scotter, our hotel for the next two nights.
- After breakfast the next morning we set off on the Womble, within the first hour Dave Wallond began to experience problems with his gear shift. A temporary fix allowed us to get to our coffee stop before more elaborate repairs were carried out by Andy Parker and Paul Andrews.
- We then continued through some very pretty villages and then up and across the Wolds to Cadwell Park.
- Lunch at the Blue Bell Inn at Belchford. More riding brought us to Woodhall Spa and the 617 Squadron Memorial.
- Last stop of the day was at Blyton where most of us had one or more of the 60 different flavours of ice available.
- As on the first night we had a very nice group meal and then finished off with a Quiz, won by the team led by Steve Cork.
- Sunday morning - time for home, the route this time allowing for a visit and photo outside Lincoln Cathedral. We then rode out of Lincoln towards RAF Waddington for a very quick view of a Vulcan bomber, as the cafe and car park was shut.
- We continued south through Cranwell and took in the view of the magnificent college building.

To sum up, the weather was kind, the hotel and the food were very good and the riding was superb.

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### **Sunday 17th - Fort Amherst ride- Photos**

Despite a bad weather forecast, ride leader Gary Morss led five bikes down to Kent to the Fort where they had a hugely interesting time going through the tunnels. Back marker was Roger Bonnici.

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### **Saturday 16th - New Members' ride- Photos**

An enjoyable morning looking after just the one new member who benefited from overwhelming support by the Chapter Road Crew. A great little ride to one of our best little cafés with the Road Crew both using and practicing their skills at group riding and eating bacon rolls! Thank you to those who gave up their valuable time to assist.

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### **Fri 15th - Sun 17th: Sparkle Tour - Photos**

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### **Sunday 10th - American Diner Breakfast ride - Photos**

Leeds Castle deemed to be too expensive for a rideout so the venue was changed to an American Diner. However, the weather was so bad that only ride leader Gary Morss and his back marker Dik Gregory turned up for breakfast!!

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### **Sunday 10th - Brighton Burn Up ride - Photos**

A nice clear day greeted the 20 Hogsback Chapter members & 16 bikes who had joined up with ride leader Pete Ostinelli at Ryka's. The route was all through the back roads of Surrey and Sussex with the ride going over Devils Dyke. Once we arrived at Brighton everyone set off to enjoy themselves but not before the offer for a led ride back was given.

Normal enjoyment was had by all with eating Fish 'n' Chips and shopping at the many trade stands that the event has to offer. As usual there was live music and even the light shower that everyone experienced this didn't dampen (excuse the pun) anyone's enjoyment. The group then met at where we had parked our bikes at the per-arranged time of 2:00pm and a led ride back began, the ride back was 2 bikes short as 1 was staying in Brighton for longer and the other had to leave earlier.

Due to the weather looking a bit ominous it was decided that the best route home would be via the motorway and once everyone got near to their home they then peeled off. Big thanks to Steve Routh being the back marker for going and coming back. The ride went without any incident and no one got lost or left behind.

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### **Saturday 9th - Southern Comfort ride - Photos**

The most exclusive ride of the year when a full 0.27% of the Hogsback Chapter turned up on a bright sunny morning at the Dealership to enjoy a great ride to a secret location in the Surrey Hills. With the benefit of one to one road crew, the ride was expertly led by Road Captain and Chapter

Historian Steve Cork to a well known biker meeting place and the opportunity taken to inspect some interesting bikes and chat to some of the riders on the pleasures of biking on such a beautiful day.

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### **Fri 8th - Sun 10th: Bruges - Photos 1 | 2**

A group of 14 Hogs-backers on 7 bikes and 2 trikes led by Henning Roesch enjoyed a fabulous weekend away. The ride out was damp, but experienced riding and great company made light work of it. In Bruges we all got pampered by fabulous accommodation, lovely sunshine and good food. Thanks to Paul Andrews and Pete Hillier for first-class road crew support! Leading the ride for this group has truly been a pleasure. Thanks to everyone!

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### **Thursday 7th - Club Night - Photos**

Another busy Club Night at The Princess Royal with a fair number of members turning up on their bikes! Tickets for the End of Season party went on sale and Tatiana Kovaleva and Steve Cork were presented with their Membership Officer and Chapter Historian patches respectively.

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### **Sunday 3rd - The Mystery Facebook Ride - Photos**

The first of its kind with the destination of the ride to be selected by Chapter members via the Chapter Facebook page. Unfortunately this didn't quite go to plan as the two options with the most votes were both unsuitable.... one too close and one too far away! So by a unanimous decision, we voted to go to Eastbourne.

So it was that Cliff led fifteen souls on fourteen bikes but was up to his old tricks soon after leaving Ryka's, missing his exit on a roundabout, going round again and in the process leading the ride behind the back markers ... much to their confusion!

We arrived at the seafront at Eastbourne without further incident and after a short stop; Cliff led us onto Birling Gap avoiding any road signposted to our destination! The journey led to much spirited conversation over our refreshments.

Refreshed, Cliff led the cheery band along the coast to Brighton before turning North and home just as the weather started to take a turn for the worse. Well done Cliff, very enjoyable ride.

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### **Saturday 2nd - Shuttleworth Museum ride - Photos**

An exclusive 4 bikes ride from Blackbushe airport in Hampshire, to the Shuttleworth collection at the Old Warden Aerodrome in Bedfordshire

along some very scenic roads. On the way we stopped off for coffee at the Red Lion Inn, a 16th century former coaching inn in the historic town of Wendover. The ride was led by ride leader Malcolm Bradly, ably assisted at the back by Simon Risbridger. The return journey was down the A1 and round the M25 with riders peeling off as desired.

## August

### **Thu 31st - Sun 3rd Sep: WineFest - Photos 1 | 2**

What a great weekend as you can see by the pictures. The change to the normal set up where we stayed an extra day was well worth it if only to sit in the sunshine watching the floats in the parade go by. All the ride outs went well and the Sunday morning quick one was very good. No dramas and a good weekend was had by all.

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### **Sunday 27th - Mayflies & Ice Cream ride - Photos**

Some 20 odd bikes joined up for this one on a glorious summer's day. Going over to Nelsons diner Robin's phone fell out of his pocket and it said hello to the tarmac. As Robin had to go back to get it, Vince led the ride to the Mayfly pub where Robin rejoined it.

After a great lunch we went down to Romsey and Carlo's ice cream for desert. We then made our way back with members dropping off as it suited them. a good day and no mishaps other than robin's phone.

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### **Saturday 26th - H Café ride - Photos**

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### **Sunday 20th - Wessons Café ride - Photos**

12 bikes met early at Ryka's for Vince Pyle's 60 mile ride for breakfast along a variety of roads. The group were treated to a flypast by the Red Arrows en-route! The return journey consisting of mainly winding country roads in pleasant sunshine topped of the ride.

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### **Saturday 19th - Weald & Downland Steam Rally ride - Photos**

6 bikes and a trike led by Steve Palmer went to the Weald and Downland Museum where we were able to park up and display our bikes in with the classic cars for free. We enjoyed a ride on the steam carousel and saw the display of working steam engines including Boadicea before they were to trundle down to Dorset for another steam fair.

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### **Fri 18th - Sun 20th: Red Dragon Slate - Photos**

On the 18th August 10 bikes and 2 trikes met at GH-D and wound their way via the scenic route, arriving at our hotel in Llandrindod Wells late afternoon and avoiding all the rain. Next day, we all set off for the Slate Mine at Snowdonia National Park where we had a pre-booked tour of the mines. Stayed there for lunch then took a different picturesque route back to Llandrindod Wells for dinner. Next day we returned home via the Regimental Museum of the 24th foot where fun was had dressing Carl up as a soldier at Rorkes Drift in the Zulu Wars. Gary Morss was ably assisted by Road Captains Carl Christensen, Dik Gregory and Andy England.

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### **Sunday 13th - Sammy Miller Museum ride - [Photos](#)**

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### **Saturday 12th - The Dragon ride - [Photos](#)**

15 bikes and 2 Trikes met at GH-D for this afternoon/evening ride, led by Vince Pyle, to the George & Dragon pub near Horsham. All riders enjoyed a pleasant summers evening with entertainment and a BBQ in aid of the Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance. Some members even walked away with some coveted raffle prizes.

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### **Fri 11th - Sun 13th: Convergence Rally @ Cirencester - [Photos](#) - [Friday](#) | [Sat's rideout](#) | [Sat-Sun](#) | [Another view](#)**

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### **Sunday 6th - Selsey Lifeboat Day ride - [Photos 1](#) | [2](#)**

Dell led us from Rykas on a sunny hot Sunday to the meeting point at Chichester here with TV Chapter and Hogsback we took 43 hogs to invade the celebrations. Making lots of noise as we arrived at the event when had reserved parking and donated a significant sum to the RNLI. The hot weather encouraged some members to dispense with T shirts and display their 6 packs caused children to be scared for life. After a pleasant few hours we blasted back via the A3 and Dell received a warm thank you from the event organisers who loved the sight of so many hogs on display.

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### **Saturday 5th - Glad Rags and Handbags ride - [Photos](#)**

Eight Bikes went to Gunwarf Quays, where Ruth Palmer had arranged for us to park and display our bikes near the shops and Marina. A great time was had by all shopping and dining in a setting as good as Monaco in the sunshine.

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## **Fri 4th - Mon 7th: Valkenberg - Photos**

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### **Thursday 3rd - Club Night - Photos**

Busy Club Night with plenty of members turning up on their bikes. John Bailey was patched up as a Chapter photographer and the Golden Key jackpot rolls over to next month!

## **July**

### **Sunday 30th - Bletchley Park ride - Photos**

Cliff, supported by Chris North & Trevor, led 24 bikes to the home of the Code Breakers at Bletchley Park (near Milton Keynes). A pleasant ride along a mixture of road types, expertly navigated by Cliff! Everyone arrived safely and enjoyed an organised guided 'taster' tour of what's on offer at Bletchley. After an enjoyable day, Cliff led a return ride back to Surrey.

### **Saturday 29th - Calne Bike Meeting ride - Photos**

Pete Ostinelli led 6 bikes on a nice ride (all non-motorway) with the weather was on our side to Calne where we managed to find somewhere to park the bikes which was a result in itself! Plenty to see and do with trade stands, live music all day long and food stalls in abundance ... and good food at that too.

Will definitely be planning to do this next year but with the addition of stopping at Little Nellie's American Diner on route. At the end three of the six made their own way home and the three of us that rode together got caught in the promised rain, even so a good day out and enjoyed by and incident free.

### **Thursday 27th - 1066 Club Night Visit ride - Photos**

Torrential rain just before meeting at Ryka's put off all but the hardy hog riders from turning up. Still we had 10 bikes and no one noticed Dell taking the wrong turn. We learnt that the 48 in 'Sportster 48' means 48 miles till you run out of fuel! Dinner and a chat with 1066 before Chris led us home in the dark.

### **Sunday 23rd - Sea Lane Café ride - Photos**

After a dismal, wet Saturday, 14 Harley's met ride leader Simon Risbridger (Risso) at Guildford Burger King on a sunny, dry Sunday morning! After a nice mix of A & B roads, we finished off with great views out to sea from high on the South Downs, before descending down into

Goring by Sea and arriving at the Sea Lane Cafe. A great breakfast was enjoyed by all, sat in the sun and making the most of it! Ten bikes made the return ride back to the A3 at Milford, where we split and made our own way home.

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### **Sat-Sun 22nd-30th: Alps Tour - Photos [1](#) | [2](#) | [3](#)**

The best description are the photo's but other than a bike on the train tracks and having to sort the stand out and some snow over the one of the passes it was a great tour.

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### **Saturday - 22nd - Thames Route ride - Photos**

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#### **Fri 21st - Sun 23rd: Peake View - [Photos](#)**

Ride leader Pete Hiller led eight bikes and three trikes bright and early travelling West skirting Reading and Oxford before the first stop for coffee at the Rose Revived, a delightful watering hole next to the waters of the Thames at Newbridge. Feeling suitably refreshed the party set off again to the North West passing through some magnificent Cotswold countryside including Burford, Stow-on-the-Wold and Morton-on-the-Marsh to the lunch stop at The Royal Redgate on Watling Street. We arrived at our final destination the Doubletree Hilton on the outskirts of Sheffield which is about 5 miles from the edge of the Peak District National Park. A quick shower and a few drinks in the bar to reflect on the day, before taxis arrived to whisk us away to a delightful Italian restaurant for dinner.

The next morning we hit the Peaks big time with a big circular ride and a choice of attractions on the way. Then it was off to the Snake Pass, to take some twisties in the sun, before a photo shoot at Ladybower Reservoir. We returned to Castleton to wander through the village before returning to our hotel for a rest and recuperation before dinner. Pete had managed to keep quiet that it was his birthday but this secrecy was undone as his wife Sue had arranged a spectacularly psychedelic birthday cake which arrived at the end of dinner!

The next morning it was time to head back home. Our thanks to Pete and Sue for a great weekend.

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### **Thursday 20th Committee Meeting**

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### **Thursday 20th - St Barnabas Hospice ride - [Photos](#)**

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### **Sunday 16th - Redhill Aerodrome Brunch ride - [Photos](#)**

14 bikes left Burger King with ride leader Chris North on a leisurely ride through the lush Surrey countryside before stopping at a quaint Aerodrome where we ordered a late brunch with all the trimmings. After a very chilled brunch we returned to Ryka's for pudding (ice cream!). Many thanks to Crippo and Cliff for being back markers.

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### **Saturday 15th - Ghurka Museum ride - [Photos](#)**

Eight bikes turned up at the Dealership for a visit to the Ghurka museum at Winchester on an overcast but dry morning. Progressive ride down the A31 (led by Steve Cork) - great curves but poor surfacing (just ask Catherine!). 342 members missed out on a fascinating museum, some great history and plenty of knives and guns!

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### **Thu 13th - Sun 16th: Hogs in the Forest - [Photos](#)**

Brilliant weekend of riding in good weather on wonderful twisty roads with almost no traffic to and through the Belgian Ardennes. Dik's return to Martin and Naomi's rustic boutique hotel in deepest Walloon after ten years was warmly welcomed and we all enjoyed Martin's sumptuous cooking for three memorable nights. Sadly, the 13 bikes and 23 Hogsback members were reduced slightly when Simon and Jan had to return home early to a very sick dog. Happily, the dog responded to their reappearance and is now making a good recovery. This is a ride that we will not wait another ten years to do again!

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### **Thursday 13th - Hayling Island ride - [Photos](#)**

Liz headed 3 bikes and 1 trike to Hayling Island to follow the C.O.P.P. memorial route which started with lunch by the water and ice cream at the end of the route.

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### **Saturday 8th - Welldiggers and Beyond ride - [Photos](#)**

Robin led the ride from GH-D on Saturday morning to the Welldiggers where all the people going to Wiston Steam Rally congregated together with about 15 from 1066 chapter and the campers. In total we had 63 bikes which Howard led down to the Steam Rally. It was great to see such a good turn out and I think there was something for everyone at Rally.

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### **Friday 7th - Hogs on the Bridge ride - [Photos](#)**

Andy Parker led the ride around 20 members from GH-D for Hogs on the Bridge ride to the White Hart Stopham Near Pulborough where they joined

by 33 campers from the farm who had arrived earlier by tractor trailer and were already fairly merry!

We all enjoyed Coq au Vin with rice and salad washed down with some good ale we were then all entertained by the Wavy Davy band by the Marquee by the river.

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### **Fri 7th - Sun 9th: Hogs on the Farm - Photos**

A number of souls arrived at the campsite on the Friday and 33 arrived later by tractor trailer at the White Hart to join up with those on the Hogs on the Bridge ride. It was a great evening and the merriment continued on the way home and on into the early hours of the morning back at the farm.

Robin led the ride from GH-D on Saturday morning to the Welldiggers.

In the afternoon we returned to the farm for some Harley games organised by Chris Doody and a farm tour for those who had not done it before.

We had around 75 people for the evening party which was disappointing but we had more people camping this year who enjoyed an excellent BBQ provided by Steve Routh Wendy, Rebecca Evans and Eileen Ostinelli. The music provided by Nigel Goddens band Dark Star Rising was really good and had everyone on their feet.

We partied until the wee small hours with Wavy Davy before people eventually went to bed. On the Sunday morning everyone helped tidy up before we all had breakfast cooked by the team and departed. It was a great weekend blessed with good weather, beer, food, music and most of all good company.

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### **Thursday 6th - Club Night - Photos**

In addition to the usual patches, pins, pints, pals, and patter; 'Bring and Buy' was back; Axel Thill was voted in as Chapter Treasurer and Robin Seymour announced details of a Chapter ride to the 115 H-D party being held in Prague next year.

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### **Sunday 2nd - Rebels Ride-in Custom Bike Show ride - Photos**

Cliff led 14 bikes on a leisurely ride to Reading H-D where we teamed up with 20 Thames Valley bikes for a short parade to the Rebels Ride-In Custom Show in Reading. Chapter flags were flown by Roger & Karen and Cliff to support H.O.G. It was a good biking event sponsored by Reading H-D. Cliff was supported by Paul at the back.

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## **Saturday 1st - Pub Run ride - Photos**

Many thanks to Malcolm Margaret, Fred, and Brad who joined me (Chris Doody) and my daughter Sophie to take an easy and dry afternoon/evening ride to the 'Old Oak' at Holmer Green where the landlord Tim had dug out 2 of his bikes to welcome us.

A drink followed by good food in the garden and with Brad already on his way home due to family commitments Malcolm and Margaret headed west while Fred Sophie and myself went east arriving home with plenty of time to see the sun go down. A shame others did not join us as a pleasant evening was had by all.

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## **Saturday 1st - Bikesafe Course for Hogsback - Photos**

Pete Hillier led an intrepid group of nineteen riders who braved an early start (8:00am) from Cobham Services for a Bikesafe Course run by the Metropolitan Police at The Warren in Hayes, near Bromley. After arrival photos, document checks and a detailed brief in the morning, the group were allocated to Police riders to observe on a 2:1 ratio.

Following a group lunch at the illustrious Clacket Lane Services, the small groups departed for more riding on country roads, returning to The Warren by about 4:30pm. The Police observers compiled individual feedback for each participant. As the MET Police do not charge for their Bikesafe courses, due to being funded by TfL (Transport for London), a 'whip-round' was had at Cobham Services before departure and three hundred and ten pounds (£310.00) was given to the MET for their Police Benevolent Fund in appreciation of the course from the Chapter.

The weather was very kind and a jolly good day was had by all. Many participants voiced their intention to take advanced rider training with IAM or RoSPA.

## **June**

### **Fri 30th - Mon 3rd July: Normandy Invasion - Photos [1](#) | [2](#) | [3](#)**

A group of us on 12 bikes and 2 trikes led by Henning Roesch enjoyed another fabulous weekend in Normandy. The ferry crossing from Newhaven to Dieppe was smooth and gave us the opportunity to mingle before the ride to Handler Good traffic and beautiful scenery made for lovely rides all throughout the weekend and friendly bars and cafes provided endless entertainments every night.

Thanks to Graham for the organisation and booking of the hotel, ferry and restaurants, and the Road Crew for keeping us safe along the way.

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### **Wednesday 28th - Cliff's Unofficial Prom Ride - Photos**

Cliff with 11 bikes & 3 trikes escorted 6 gorgeous girls in a pink Cadillac convertible to their prom night at Gordon's School West End Woking. The girls loved it and Hogsback certainly left their mark at Gordons. The happy parents made a donation to the Hogsback charities. Cliff was supported by Liz and John Bailey at the back plus "personal" escorts Chris N, Paul, Gordon, Chris P & Andy

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### **Sunday 25th - Hanworth Classic Picnic ride - Photos**

Sixteen bikes and two trikes left Burger King Guildford for a pleasant ride through the Surrey Hills to Bushy Park for the ninth Hanworth Classic. This event goes from strength to strength and this year proved to be very popular. Lots of cars and bikes on display with a good retro vibe running throughout the day. The dance marquee went down well with a number of Chapter members strutting their stuff! At lunch time twenty seven Hogsback sat on the grass to enjoy a picnic provided by Susan Andrews plus two guests from Chelsea and Fulham (Shock horror!)

Against forecast the weather proved to be just right. Riders made their own way home from about 2pm with some staying till the end. Assistant Director and Ride leader Paul Andrews gave Sue Pratt, one of the organisers, a ride around the park which she very much enjoyed. Hogsback riders and pillions raised £87.50 on the day for the event charity. This to be forwarded via HB treasurer. Chapter Member Tezza won a commendation and prize for his Harley. Thoroughly good day enjoyed by all.

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### **Saturday 24th - New Members' ride - Photos**

A great turn out at short notice by the road crew to enable us to give a very personal introduction to 3 new members. Our first Trike to attend gave the road crew the opportunity to work through the system and best practice for Trike inclusion in/on official rides.

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### **Fri 23rd - Sun 25th: Yellow Belly Melee - Photos**

A small but beautifully formed group of 5 bikes journeyed north to Brigg in Lincolnshire to Join the Lindum Colonia Chapter for their first "Yellow Belly Melee" event. We were made very welcome by the Chapter members and all had a great time, they had arranged live bands for both evenings and a ride over the Humber Bridge to Goathland (Heartbeat Country) on the Saturday. The return back south ride was brisk but uneventful and we managed to avoid the rain.

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### **Sunday 18th - Max's Diner ride - [Photos](#)**

11 bikes and 16 people joined Jez for a leisurely ride through the countryside to Max's diner just outside of Horsham, where we had a nice bacon butty in the sun and discovered cars that made more noise than our bikes. All was good until someone's exhaust dropped off on the way home!

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### **Saturday 17th - Camber Sands Capers ride - [Photos](#)**

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### **Fri 16th - Sun 18th: Royal Woolacombe - [Photos](#)**

A blistering long weekend enjoying some fantastic north Devon roads. Some great venues for grub and of course the unmissable cream team at a posh hotel! A really enjoyable social weekend enabling everyone to interact on a personal level.

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### **Thu 15th - Sun 18th Magic Bike - [Photos 1](#) | [2](#)**

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### **Thursday 15th - TV Birthday Bash Club Night & BBQ - [Photos](#)**

Eight bikes gathered at Cobham services early evening for a direct ride to the Grenadier Guards Club at Windsor for the Thames Valley Chapter Nineteenth Birthday bash. On the way we all had an opportunity to practise our filtering skills and arrived exactly on time to head the queue for burgers, sausage, salad and liquid refreshment. Made very welcome by TV who enjoy the inter Chapter mingling. Ride broke from the event with each making their own way home. Very enjoyable evening had by all.

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### **Thursday 15th - Amberley Tea Rooms ride - [Photos](#)**

Liz took 7 bikes on an ambling ride to the Riverside tearooms at Amberley via the smaller villages and back roads to enjoy a leisurely lunch.

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### **Sunday 11th - Overlord: D-Day Revival ride - [Photos 1](#) | [2](#)**

Cliff led 35 bikes & 3 trikes on a leisurely ride down to Southwick Village Portsmouth, for their D Day revival day. The small wartime village was full of vehicles of the time, a market, a fair and loads of people in authentic dress. A great day out. Cliff also led a slightly more progressive ride back Guildford via a different route. Cliff was supported by Trevor & Russ at the back

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### **Saturday 10th - Shepperton Village Fair ride - Photos**

A full complement of Hogsback bikes turned up on the traditionally warm and dry day for Shepperton Village Fair. After leading the large Procession down the High Street, we rode into the Arena for a static display, where lots of Mums, Dads and excited children could get up close and personal with riders and bikes. A really good day for Hogsback as well as for the Fair - the biggest in memory with a footfall of around 8,000 people. Thanks to all the riders and pillions that turned up - we will be doing it again next year!

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### **Sunday 4th - Weald & Downland ride - Photos**

15 bikes with approx 20 people joined ride leader Trevor Rawlings at GH-D for an hour & half ride via Midhurst and Petworth. No mishaps, all accounted for and four hours spent there. All present thoroughly enjoyed it, impressed by how well organised the event was and encouraged Trevor to do it again. Back markers Cliff Mitchie & Chris Doody with daughter Sophie.

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### **Sat 3rd - Sun 4th: Midland Quickie - Photos**

Nine bikes and Thirteen Chapter members left GHD on Saturday morning and made their way to Coln St Alwyds in the Cotswolds. Pub lunch then on to Cheltenham Harley Davidson where Tim Richards (DP) plied us with cold drinks and doughnuts. Then onwards to Redditch for our overnight stop with a very nice evening meal in our own dining room and very attentive Hotel staff.

Sunday morning after a leisurely breakfast we headed to the National Motorcycle Museum which is as good as ever with its fabulous collection, now nearing 1000 Machines plus the bonus of a regular collectors and antiques fair on the site. Small drop of rain while we were inside, then dry as we headed home stopping at Nelsons Diner for mid afternoon snacks where we broke the ride. Positive responses from all which included two Chapter members on their first away weekend.

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### **Saturday 3rd - Southampton H-D ride - Photos**

Cliff led 25 bikes and 1 trike on a leisurely ride down to Southampton HD, carefully avoiding local traffic congestion problems and managing with a little help to find a new route on to the A31. After refreshments and a look around the stock Cliff also led a ride back to GHD via a different route. Cliff was supported by Roger and chapter photographer Richard at the back.

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## **Thursday 1st - Club Night - Photos**

The good weather brought the bikes out in force and a visit from the Thames Valley Chapter meant it was a very busy Club Night. The heroic achievement of the Iron Hoggers was recognised and a special award (Chief Navigator) was given to Cliff Michie for his unique contribution to Chapter ride outs!

## **May**

### **Monday 29th - Margate Meltdown ride - Photos**

Ride leader (Peter Ostinelli) and the back marker (Liz Getgood) were joined by Chapter members Phil H and Sheila (pillion) at Ryka's. After a very personal ride briefing, it was off to Margate with the weather on their side!

Once at Margate the 1st stop was for a well earned coffee and tea break. This was followed by a walk along the harbour wall browsing the trade stands and an appetiser of whelks and mussels. It was decided that Fish & Chips was the order of the day which was eaten listening to the sounds of Rock 'n' Roll and 'Rockabilly', and finished off with an ice cream each with the obligatory flake in it. Another gentle saunter along the promenade, a coffee / tea break and it was off back home.

Even though they were only four in number, it was a really enjoyable day and the weather was perfect in every way. As the ride description says "...what better way to spend you Bank Holiday then at a Motorcycle Meet...." The ride leader would like to thank Liz for back marking and special thanks for Phil H & Sheila for joining them for what turned out to be a lovely day.

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### **Sunday 28th - Red Shoot New Forest ride - Photos**

Despite the poor weather forecast, 20 Chapter members on 13 bikes joined ride leader, Jez Bevan, for a brisk ride down to the Red Shoot Inn in the New Forest for a very pleasant lunch.

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### **Fri 26th - Sun 28th: Roger's "Up the Arras" Rumble - Photos 1 | 2**

The thirty-four 'Rumblers' that rose at dawn to join ride leader Roger Bonnici and make their way "Up The Arras" were duly rewarded with stunning scenic roads, incredibly warm sunny weather and fine French cuisine throughout their whole weekend. Based in the stunning market city of Arras, Saturday's ride out to the Canadian Vimy Ridge WWI memorial was a very sobering and poignant experience, and made the weekend one to truly remember.

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### **Thursday 25th - Evening Fish & Chips ride - Photos**

A total of 33 Harleys made the sunny trip to Littlehampton where we enjoyed fish and chips sat by the sea. A co-ordinated ride with Dell leading from GH-D and Pete Ostinelli from Ryka's meeting up at Bury Hill before heading on to the coast worked well. Thanks to all the road crew who helped.

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### **Sunday 21st - Loomies with a Twist ride - Photos**

The sun shone on 16 Hogsback Harleys all the way from Ryka's to Loomies Biker Café where reserved parking had been arranged - which was just as well since the place was heaving in the fine weather. Dik's ride, ably supported by tail enders Carl and Trevor, followed the twisties on a brisk 50 miler enjoyed by all - including one or two members who were brand new to the Chapter. After brunch in the sun, some left for the coast while others followed Dik for the 30 equally brisk miles back to the Guildford area. A fine day for riding!

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### **Saturday 20th - Bramley Fete ride - Photos**

Trevor Rawlings led 17 bikes and 1 trike the long way round to Bramley from GH-D going via Petworth! Pleased to report that there were no mishaps and no rain on the ride :-)! Thanks to the back markers: Dell, Catherine and Steve Cork on the first section assisted by Andy Parker and Chris Doody on the second section to the fete.

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### **Fri 19th - Mon 22nd: Camel Trail - Photos 1 | 2**

13 bikes and 2 trikes with 19 souls embarked on a delightful chilled long weekend away with ride leader Chris North to a 16th Century Inn in Wadebridge, Cornwall stopping en-route at an American diner, Route 303 to refuel both bikes and stomachs. After arriving in Wadebridge, a hearty meal was consumed by all and general merriment ensued.

The following morning featured a trip to Poldark Mine near Helston for a guided tour. Then it was onto Padstow through winding narrow roads with stunning sea and country views, parking the bikes on the quay... with permission of the harbour master. A late lunch at Rick Stein's Fish & Chips were consumed, followed by Cornish Ice Cream. Evening's entertainment was supplied by a band at the local wine bar.

Sunday morning was a gentle ride to Tintagel and then onto Port Issac, where Burt from Dr Martins was at the harbour pub. Sunday roast was consumed before a trip back to Wadebridge.

On the Monday we returned via the Jamaica Inn on Bodmin Moor, stopping off at a mansion in Devon for an early cream tea, and then homeward bound. Many thanks to Paul and Crippa for being back markers.

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### **Fri 19th - Sun 21st: Iron Hog - [Photos](#)**

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### **Sunday 14th - Army Flying Museum ride - [Photos](#)**

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### **Saturday 13th - Boule Evening ride - [Photos](#)**

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### **Saturday 13th - Reading Birthday Bash ride - [Photos](#)**

Liz led a ride of 16 bikes to the Reading dealership's birthday bash. The ride was an almost tortuously circuitous 2 hour route taking in Windsor Great Park and arriving at 12 noon to enjoy the food and music.

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### **Sunday 7th - Tangmere Museum ride - [Photos](#)**

On a busy weekend of club rides 10 people on 8 bikes made the trip down to Tangmere Aviation Museum along with ride leader Gary Tew. The day was dry but chilly, and teas and coffees were the order of the day before our guided tour of the museum. We stopped off at Ryka's on the way home where the sun finally made an appearance. A nice little ride down via Petworth and a return ride to Box Hill via the A29. Many thanks to Larry for stepping in as back marker.

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### **Sat 6th - Sun 7th: Isle of Wight - [Photos 1](#) | [2](#)**

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### **Saturday 6th - Sussex Coast Cafe ride - [Photos](#)**

A last minute substitute ride to the Sea Lane Cafe in Ferring. 10 bikes left GH-D with ride leader Vince Pyle in the sunshine using country lanes and arriving at the seaside for a pleasant mid morning breakfast on the beach. Owing to the good weather some of the riders decided to remain on the coast whilst the rest returned to GH-D.

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### **Thursday 4th - Star Wars @ Club Night - [Photos](#)**

"May the Fourth be with you!" A busy Club Night at the dealership with some interesting Star Wars costumes and the launch of the new Street Rod.

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### **Monday 1st - Blindley Heath Country Show ride - Photos**

Rain on the day of a busy Bank Holiday weekend was never going to encourage any biker to mount up but that's what five people did joining Roger for the Blindley Heath Heavy Horse & Country Show ride. It was a reasonably well attended event despite the inclement weather. There was lots to see and the bikes gathered plenty of attention regardless of the rain.

## **April**

### **Sunday 30th - Old Sarum & Salisbury Bike Show ride - Photos**

6 brave bikers (the weather looked a bit iffy) met at Burger King and rode down to Old Sarum with ride leader Howard Pullen for Brunch. From there we went down in to Salisbury to the MAG bike show which was well attended. We all left about 2.00pm intending to get home before the rain arrived! Unfortunately we did not and had to don our wets at Odiham! At least most of the day was dry and very enjoyable.

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### **Saturday 29th - Smith & Western ride - Photos**

Cliff, supported by Liz & Hogsback photographer Richard, successfully led 15 hungry bikers along country roads to the Smith & Western restaurant in Chichester, for a pig out early lunch. As well as finding his way to Chichester he even managed to lead them all safely back to GH-D!

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### **Friday 28th - Led Zep Tribute ride - Photos**

A prompt arrival at Newlands Corner on a pleasant evening. Challenging lead ride for Crippa taking himself along the A25 and eventually meeting Mick Palmer at Dorking to enjoy the music of Led Zeppelin.

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### **Fri 28th - Sun 30th: Cider Rally - Photos**

Dell led 9 bikes and 1 trike from GH-D for a dry ride stopping at Thruxton for tea and to watch a bit of racing, then onto Cheddar Gorge for lunch. Several other HB members came later and a party time was had each night!

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### **Thursday 27th Committee Meeting**

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### **Sunday 23rd - Fly the Flag Red And White ride - Photos**

23 bikes met ride leader Gary Morss at Ryka's to take advantage of the lovely weather and wended their way via Richmond Park (without maiming numerous men in lycra), over Kew bridge and through Green Park to arrive for the usual hearty breakfast served at the Ace Cafe. We returned home the quick way via M25 in time for Sunday roast.

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### **Saturday 22nd - Duxford Air Museum ride - Photos [1](#) | [2](#)**

The sun was shining on the twelve lucky members that met at Cobham services for the early departure to Duxford Imperial War Museum led by Ride Leader Roger. Take off went smoothly with the first sixty miles of black top bathed in sunshine; then the short, sharp light shower cooled the air enough to demand hot coffee and pastry on arrival at the Imperial War Museum!

With eight exhibition halls and continual flights throughout the day the mile long Duxford has so much to offer the visitor that five and a half hours was still not enough to see everything on display. Looks like another visit will have to be scheduled... Many thanks to Road Crew - Simon, Robin, and Gary – for supporting the ride so diligently and safely.

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### **Sunday 16th - Breakfast at the Beach ride - Photos**

Twenty bikes joined Henning Roesch for a great ride to The Lobster Pot. Beautiful weather and little traffic made for an enjoyable cruise down to the coast through the lovely English countryside. Thanks to everyone who came along. Textbook riding! Special thanks to Graham and Gina for covering the back, and Trevor, Cliff and Jez for their assistance.

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### **Saturday 15th - New Members' ride - Photos**

This was the perfect day for new Chapter Members to meet not only our well-trained Road Crew but an opportunity to meet many seasoned members of the Chapter (in total over 35 bikes). The ride has become a social event with a 45 min Safety Briefing followed by a respectfully paced ride to hunt down the best bacon butty some-where in Sussex. All are welcome including Harley Trikes!

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### **Friday 14th - Wheels Day ride - Photos**

Cliff, supported by chapter photographer Richard, successfully led 12 bikes to the annual Good Friday Wheels Day event at Rushmore Arena. A great event with loads of custom and classic cars.

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### **Sunday 9th - Breakfast Run ride - Photos**

A chilly morning start but the sun came out to make this a pleasant ride for approximately 30 souls who joined Chris Doody as he led them down roads that you would not normally go down ending at Sutton Green Garden Centre where we had a well deserved breakfast.

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### **Saturday 8th - Black Bear Birthday Visit ride - Photos**

14 Bikes accompanied Dell for a blast around the M25 to Essex then through the back roads and villages to Black Bear H-D birthday bash. BBQ eaten, refreshed and 2 hrs later it was a fast ride home. A lovely hot and sunny April day.

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### **Thursday 6th - Club Night - Photos**

In addition to the usual patches, pins, pints, pals, and patter at The Princess Royal, we were joined by some members of Invicta Chapter who were there to present us with our well earned Winter Chapter Challenge Bowling Trophy!

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### **Sunday 2nd - Breakfast ride-Photos**

The brilliant sunshine encouraged 23 bikes to join Graham Woods and make an early morning start from Ryka's at Box Hill, five new members received the usual warm Hogsback welcome and joined us for their first ride, a progressive route enjoying the light early morning traffic on a loop of the Sussex lanes, including the fabulous views over West Sussex from the top of Bury Hill on the route out, arriving at Goodwood for a full English in brilliant sunshine while sitting on the terrace of the old control tower café. After a relaxing breakfast we made a return route via some of the biker's favourite twisty lanes towards Petworth, Billingshurst and finishing back at Dorking.

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### **Sunday 2nd - Beaky's Boot Sale - Photos**

The Surrey Harley Boot sale (aka as Beaky's Boot Sale) was again very successful due in no small part to Chapter members Roger, Andy, Gary and Phil setting up the Hogsback Chapter stall of goodies at 6.30am in readiness for the deluge of bargain hunters!

However, their stupid o'clock early start was a mere drop in the ocean in comparison to the dealership staffers (notably Mick, Bob and Junior) who were allegedly on parade as early as 2.00am to secure the best pitch in the car park – which they did admirably.

Well done to them and a big 'thank you' for including the Hogsback Chapter in their pitch fee. The Boot sale was again very well attended.

Over £600.00 worth of Chapter members' Harley accessories were sold by the intrepid quartet, in turn raising £135.60 towards the Chapter Charities. Well done to all involved. Good weather, good banter and a great success.

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### **Saturday 1st - Fools ride!!-Photos**

A posse of about 10 riders set off with ride leader Henning Roesch from GH-D to RH-D. Travelling along the winding and scenic route we sucked in the spring breeze, while filling the air with the rumble of our Harleys. Warm welcomes and beverages awaited us on our arrival at Reading H-D. After enjoying the Reading hospitality and more coffee, a hearty brunch at the Java Cafe concluded the ride. Great company, good riding and lovely weather..... What more can we ask for?

## **March**

### **Sunday 26th - ABC 1 ride - Photos**

A chilly start to Robin's ride, but a really sunny and warm day developed. 7 riders braved it and went to Bentley, New Arlesford, Itchen Stoke, Stockbridge, Grateley, Quarrel, Thruxton Down, Wiltshire, Zeals, Dorset, Mere, Kingston Deverill, Hill Deverill, Longbridge Deverill, Hampshire, Andover, Test Valley and the ride dispersed at the junction of the A303 and M3. No incidents just a really good ride.

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### **Sunday 19th - Pioneer Run - Photos**

First 4 joined Axel at Ryka's, then 6 at Epsom and finally 12 bikes at Gatwick Manor. All made it to Brighton shadowing the 78th Pioneer Run! Each stage had its own back marker, thanks to Howard, Cliff and Larry Z on keeping the group together and safe.

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### **Saturday 18th - GH-D Birthday event - Photos**

A well supported day with lots of smiling faces, old and new. Stirling contribution from all the GH-D staff with lots of transactions taking place but a special mention must go to the LoH for a superb effort raising money for the Chapter charities. They were busy from the very start of the day and raised £760.29 on the Refreshments bar and £440.00 on the Whisky Raffle (Thank you Carl for donating it).

Happy Birthday GH-D!

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### **Road Crew First Aid course - Photos**

Compact and bijou setting for the course undertaken by the new Road Crew.

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### **Sunday 12th - LoH Lunch - Photos**

15 Ladies made it to the LOH Lunch at the Parrot on Sunday the 12th of March - even Liz after her progressive ride to the coast for breakfast. Much fun was had particularly when the Secret Bunny gifts were opened!!!!

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### **Sunday 12th - Woody's Nutcracker ride - Photos**

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### **Sunday 5th - 1916 WW1 Exhibition ride - Photos**

Not a great number turned out for the 1916 exhibition ride but, a turn out at least. Although weather was a bit wet going to Ryka's, the Sun was out by the time we set off and the roads were mostly dry. Thank you Axel for back marking!

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### **Sunday 5th - Ride to IAM meeting - Photos**

2 riders travelled with Chris Doody the 6 miles to Ripley where they were introduced to the IAM advanced motorcycle course whilst some others made their own way.

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### **Thursday 2nd - Club Night Special @ GH-D - Photos 1 | 2**

Great Club Night tonight - thanks in no small part to the generosity and hard work of Toby and the Dealership staff. Dell oversaw the re-appearance of the Hogback Players in a Saddle-Sore Production of 'Goldihogs and the Three Rushmoor Bears'; there was a presentation of cheques to the three charities we supported last year; 25 and 20 year patches were awarded; new Road Crew were patched as well as an overview of the Ride Programme for March and details of the Convergence Rally. All in all, a busy night!

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## **February**

### **Saturday 25th - Hogsback Brewery Tour - Photos**

12 joined Crippa on a very interesting tour of the Hogsback Brewery which took around an hour. A very entertaining guide gave us all a good insight into the brewery history and processes including the various links with local businesses. Numerous samples were on offer but unfortunately most had to show self control. Certainly recommended for a summer evening.... but plan not to drive!

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## **Saturday 18th - Road Crew Training - [Photos](#)**

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## **Sunday 12th Hogsback Shoot @ Bisley - [Photos](#)**

For the 5th year running Dell, Bill & John hosted the annual shoot at Bisley. Expanded to take 14 members this year they enjoyed a sunny but cold day firing a selection of firearms interrupted by a hot lunch and an afternoon blasting away with black powder pistols - some actually even hit the target.

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## **Saturday 11th - Intro to Advanced Motorcycle Riding - [Photos](#)**

A class of 24 participants from Hogsback Chapter were given a taste of what to expect when you go on an Advanced Motorcycle course. The Chapter encourages its members to consider taking up the challenge to further advanced training, whether a full-on course or just a brush up to weed out those bad habits! It costs very little but could make a BIG difference!

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## **Thursday 9th Committee Meeting**

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## **Saturday 4th - Workshop Day 2 @ GH-D - [Photos](#)**

Another well organised session at the dealership providing some useful technical insights in to our bikes.

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## **Thursday 2nd - Club Night - [Photos](#)**

There were patches, pins, pints, pals, patter, the LoH's Bring & Buy, the launch of the 2017 Day Rides Programme and if that wasn't enough, over £1000 was won by Kevin Tew in the Golden Key ... all at The Princess Royal.

## **January**

## **Saturday 21st - Interchapter Bowling Challenge - [Photos](#)**

On a cold day (where a few impetus fools rode!) in sub zero temperatures, three chapters and 60 H.O.G. members took part in this year's Interchapter Bowling Challenge, organised by Carl and Crippa and held at the famous Crawley Bowl.

After a fierce and brutally fought battle that saw the combatants try every technique in the book (... and some not in the book!) to knock down ten

innocent but very evasive pins, Hogsback were declared the **'Team winners'!!**

Peter Stennett from Invicta Chapter was this year's individual winner. Thank you and congratulations to all those team winners whom took part. Brilliant!

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### **Saturday 14th - Workshop Day 1 @ GH-D - Photos**

GH-D's entry in to this year's 'Battle of the Kings' was unveiled prior to the session in the workshop led by Aaron and Neil.

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### **Saturday 7th - Ride planning meeting - Photos**

Over 100 rides for 2017! All will be revealed at next month's Club Night.

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### **Thursday 5th - Club & Quiz Night - Photos**

Fab-u-lous Quiz Night tonight. Brilliant twist to next year's event from our new Director Dell, the bottom two teams (Teams "Wallace and Grommet" and "Charlie I'll be back in a minute"), and not the winners as in previous years, will be hosting in 2018. The Golden Key rolls over with a massive £845 for February Club Night!