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## Redwood Empire Chapter HOG #3494



### Directors Report

Greetings,

Fall is in full swing and our hours of sunlight are getting shorter. November is an excellent time to ride. The weather is cool but not too cold and it warms in the afternoon without scorching

us. The coast is mostly clear of fog and the hills and vineyards are full of vibrant colors. As we approach the holiday season we can be thankful for being able to ride most of the year, rain may dampen our rides but there will be an abundance of riding opportunities during our fall and winter months. So, let's get out there and have some fun.

Though our riding protocols have changed with wearing masks and social distancing, our rides have been well attended and our members have gracefully adhered to their new circumstances. I appreciate everyone's cooperation in this area. We have found a way to stay safe while we ride and have fun. October's rides were a great mix of local, loud and long distance events. The "Tin Barn Classic" was a beautiful ride through the Cazadero hills and along the coast. The Shasta Overnight took us through the burn area of Lake Berryessa, lunch in Chico, the mountains for Hwy 32, 36, and 44, and ending in the quaint town of Dunsmuir. The following day we road along the base of Mt. Shasta, had breakfast in Burney, cruised by Mt. Lassen then headed home via Hwy 20. Our final ride of the month the "Twisted Tunnel Run" enjoyed tunnels, tubes, under crossings, and loud pipes with a lunch stop in Orinda. Thank you to our road captains for leading these rides.

Did you know that at every ride we give away (2) \$25 gift cards? There is no cost to members and so far this year we have given away forty gift cards among other things like free lunches and such. Come on out and let's roll on a few miles and have a little fun.

Our 2021 Board of Directors will be as follows.

Director	Randy Mack
Assistant Director	Steve Pehargou
Treasurer	Robert Gilford
Secretary	Heidi Faulkner
Head Road Captain	Glen Childers

Randy Mack

Director



## Assistant Directors Report

Hey HOG Nation!!

I hope everyone is enjoying these prime riding conditions. We have had some epic rides with epic scenery and epic memories. The season is not over yet!! I want to welcome my good buddy and riding companion Glen Childers as our new Head Road Captain! Glen has been a member of HOG longer than I have so he knows a few things!!

Although our rides have been modified, masks and social distancing, we still manage to pull together and ride as one with one common goal. Scare people in tunnels? HAHA just kidding, to have fun!! That's what it's all about. We were also recently mentioned in the Press Democrat. How about that? We are famous now.

On a sad note, the Black Diamond Mine ride has to be postponed due the CoVid restrictions on Parks and Rec. We will try to get something together to make up for it. Stay tuned to email or Facebook. Thanks to all who attended the Twisted Tunnel Run. What a beautiful day. Thanks to HOG, one of our members got a free lunch and two members received gift cards. Tunnels, Twisties, Food, Fun, life is good.

I wanted to talk a little about ability levels and the HOG way, if you will. Everyone has a different skill level from beginner to advanced to "just ride on the weekenders." To HOG, to us, it does not matter. If you want to go on a ride, you go on a ride. It's that simple. If you are a beginner, let the Road Captain know ahead of time. Trust me, we will look out for you. If you are an advanced rider and are stuck behind a beginner, wait until the next stop and ask that person if you can go ahead of them. It's that simple. A HOG

"sweep" will NEVER leave anyone behind. The whole point of this "thing" is to include every Harley Davidson Owner in the Group. Hence the name HOG.

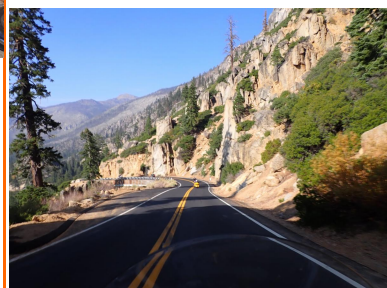
We will soon be putting together the rides for next year. We will try our best not to conflict with other club dates when doing so. Glen and I will be having a Road Captain meeting in the very near future. Everyone, I mean everyone, who wants to attend or become a road captain, is strongly advised to attend.

Whew, my fingers are raw. See ya' all out there!!

Steve  
AD  
PhD-Tunnel Acoustic Therapy

## Ride Photo's

Remembering 2020







## A Message from your Regional Manager

Greetings,

What a year, hard to imagine I am writing this and the trees in my yard are in full fall color, the maples in particular are absolutely breathtaking, especially the orange ones. As beautiful as they are and as much as I enjoy this time of year, it just seems so bitter sweet to have the riding season coming to an end way too soon. It does remind me that I need to get those last mileage readings in to get full credit for the riding I did.

By the time you read this we will have registration open for our 2021 HOG Rallies, get out and plan your next adventure for not only you but your chapter. Remember some of your chapter has never experienced a rally or an overnight trip, use it as a way to build that deep attachment to motorcycling, give your chapter a memory that will last a lifetime on the way to and from a rally as well as while there.

A lot of chapters have been using destination challenges instead of group rides recently and I am so proud of the creativity you all brought into it and happy to see your members posting on social media all the fun places you have been sending them. Don't forget that the 10 for 20 rides end on December 31<sup>st</sup> as well as your chance to get your poker chip so make sure you get your pictures submitted in time.

I know I have asked all of you to confirm your email address in your member profile on the HOG website, but after I sent my email to all of you last month you would not imagine I had nearly 100 rejected emails, please get out and update your information, remember this is how we communicate to you and your dealer, so help them get updated as well. Thank you for all you do for HOG and Harley-Davidson.

Hope to see you on the road in '21!

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### Upcoming Events and Rides

#### November Events

Nov. 5th General Meeting is  
CANCELLED.

Nov. 8th Black Diamond Mine  
ride. POSTPONED.

Nov. 13th Point Arena ride. Meet  
at SCHED 10am and depart at  
10:30am. Jim Strange is ride lead.

Nov. 18th Board Meeting by  
conference call.

Nov. 21st Half Moon Bay ride.  
Meet at SCHED 9:30AM and depart  
at 10am. Michael Turpin is ride  
lead.

#### December Events

Dec. 3rd General Meeting is  
CANCELLED.

Dec. 6th Cloverdale Toy Run.  
Meet at Johnny's Java 9am and  
depart at 9:30am. Steve is ride  
lead.

Dec. 16th Board Meeting by  
conference call.

For full details go to the  
RECHOG web site calendar



## Dealer Update

### Harley-Davidson LiveWire IT'S THE FUTURE IN H-D

E-bikes go mainstream thanks to the  
most traditional of motorcycle marques

By Martin Fitz-Gibbons DEPUTY EDITOR,  
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I can't believe I'm about to type these words, but here goes. The best electric motorcycle of 2020 is built by HarleyDavidson. Yes, that HarleyDavidson. The brand built around booming, gas-guzzling V-twins. The brand that, to those outside the orange-badged bubble, seems stuck in a 1960s timewarp.

Harley haven't just created the first proper electric motorcycle from an established manufacturer – they've gone against everything they've built before. From onboard, every aspect feels so un-Harley. With its low, flat bars and footpegs tucked under hips,

the riding position doesn't have a hint of cruiser. At 251kg it's no featherweight, but it's lighter than most Harleys. And the way it accelerates will blow you away.

Select Sport mode, dare to snap the twistgrip to the stop and you'd better be holding on tight. Providing the rear Michelin Scorcher grips, you'll zap from zero to 60mph in barely three seconds. The acceleration is phenomenal: silent but violent.

But of course electric bikes are fast, what with their bucketloads of instant, effortless shove. Range and recharging are far harder conversations. The LiveWire's 13.6kWh lithium battery lasts as little as 50 or 60 miles if you get greedy with the speed, as far as 140 miles at city pace, and somewhere in the 80-90 mile ballpark at a considerate, legal rhythm. DC rapid charging means a drained battery can be refilled in just over an hour. Yes, that sounds a lifetime next to a five minute fuel stop, but coincide a few briefer top-up charges while you're grabbing lunch or having a pee and you can make decent progress without apocalyptic inconvenience.

The LiveWire proved the only electric bike this year capable of riding around the MCN250 test route, taking just 90 minutes longer to finish all 250 miles than a typical petrol bike. And if you've got a backup crew and a Jedi mate, you could even ride one 13,000 miles from Argentina to Los Angeles in 100 days. Yes, the LiveWire is expensive but it's also the year's most complete, proficient, refined and capable electric roadster. It's still a long way from tackling petrol power head-on, but price aside it presents the strongest challenge yet.

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## **WELCOME to the Chapter New Members for October**

**James Baum, Richard Arrow, & Michael Dorado.**

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### **Membership **Board Meeting** Topics**

- Steve Pehargou will organize the ride planning meeting for next year's rides.

### **Membership **General Meeting** Topics**

- no general meeting

For full details go to the RECHOG web site

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