CALIENTE HOG #2013

Calientegram – 28Oct18

We had 8 bikes and 11 riders rolling out from Caliente's parking lot at 08:00 today. As we headed south, we ran into a cool, deep, swirling fog. And then from the mists came a mystical maiden in the form of *Adrienne Barbeau*, who pleaded with us to go back and save ourselves. Spirits cast aside and with us being Caliente H.O.G., fearless in the face of danger, we pressed on and made our breakfast rendezvous. I probably should have listened to Adrienne as in hindsight; I should have asked what was in my breakfast selection. What I mistook for bacon, were bits of phantom plutonium dipped peppers. They have been haunting me most of the day...

Anyway, before any rumors start and for the record, I did not take the group down a dirt and gravel road for roughly a half mile (it was mud). Moving on... At one of our last turns on the way back, our path was closed due to high water. Despite a slight detour adding roughly 40 miles, we all made it back safe and sound. Everyone was all smiles so the ride was a huge success.

If any of you want to take another step forward and be a part of the leadership of the Chapter, contact me at Director@calientehog.com. I would like to have some feedback sometime in the next few weeks on what some of you might want to do. I have had some decent input and am just about ready to go final with everything. However, shoot me a note if you get the itch.

Besides Halloween the night before, the Lone Star Rally (1-4 Nov) is our next big thing. F1 noted that he and a couple of others will be departing from the Shell/McDonalds at 90 & 36th St. for Galveston on Thursday. Meet up at 7 am and KSU @7:30. The route they are taking is 275 miles and about 6 hours. Please contact Frank at fdeyo@satx.rr.com if you would like to join that group.

For another option, Tony Williams is the lead engineer for our little train. Lori and I will be in the caboose. We will depart from Caliente 0900 on Thursday 01 Nov. and will be taking our time to get to the Hampton Inn on I-45 in League City which is just a hop, skip, and a jump from Galveston. Anyone who wants to join us, please feel free to do so.

By the way, Vicki has taken over for Melody. Swing by the dealership, introduce yourself, and welcome her to San Antonio!

RIDE CALENDAR

11 Nov – We will be going to Brooks City-Base to attend the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1 where they will be unveiling a monument. It will be held at Hanger 9 from 9:30 – 10:30. Following the ride we will cruise over to 54th St Bar & Grill who will be having free entrees up to \$12 for veterans with proof of service. Nothing like a causal, in-town easy ride on a Sunday combined with a chance to honor and remember those who fought for us to make your day. Of note, the last acknowledged WW1 veteran died in 2012 at the age of 110. There were almost 10,000,000 military deaths (~117,000 US) attributed to that conflict along with another 7,000,000 civilian deaths. KSU will be 8:30 am as we want to make sure we get a seat. F1 has the lead on this ride with Towne being his sweep. Both of these guys are retired military veterans and we are honored to have them lead the way.

24 Nov – Details coming

02 Dec – Details coming

15 Dec – Details coming

EVENTS:

10 Nov - **Chapter Social** 10:30 am – Caliente Dealership – I anticipate that the nametags that were ordered should be in.

- Road Captain Meeting 8:30 am Caliente Training Room
- **New Member Orientation** 9:30 am Caliente Training Room Lynda will try to conduct a short ride for those attending the orientations to reinforce the topics discussed during the orientation weather permitting.
- Fundraiser Caliente Dealership 11:00 am 4:00 pm Volunteers needed to help with our Chapter fundraiser
- 17 Nov Annual Chapter Pre-Thanksgiving Pot Luck. Details and sign up sheet(s) at the Nov Social.

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8 Dec – Christmas Party! Leon Valley. Details and Tickets will be available at the upcoming Chapter Socials. I believe we are looking at \$20 per person like last year. This is an adult function. If you are a single member of our Chapter, you can bring an adult guest. Diane, our Membership Officer, is the POC. Her email is membership@calientehog.com if you have any questions. In a few weeks, we will be looking to ID some folks (volunteers) who will help set up the site the morning of with decorations. We are normally in and out within an hour or so to do the set up.

DON'T FORGET: Volunteering, attending meetings (Social, RC meetings & Officers meetings), participating on chapter rides, will get you tickets for chances to get great prizes at the HOG Christmas Party.

<u>Group Riding reminders/tips</u> – The weather is starting to turn. It can be cool in the mornings and due to the temp variations, this is the season for fog and damp (slippery) roads. Add a little bit more time so as to get to where you want to go in one piece.

--F2 Frank Knapp Director, CCSA