

CALIENTE HOG #2013

Calientegram – 09Dec18

ODDS and ENDS

For those of you who missed the Caliente H.O.G. Holiday Party, hang your head low... What a blast. I have to give a shout out to a number of key folks who made it happen. Kudos to Lynda Deyo, our Assistant Director, Bobbi Burt our Activities Officer, and Diane Pittman our Membership Officer who planned it all out, shopped for the great gifts that we put out for the Chapter, and did a majority of the leg work to bring it all together. Another shout out has to go to Bea and Pete who showed up at our set up Saturday morning to guide us on what went wrong and how things were supposed to be. I also have to thank Vikki White, the Caliente Retail Operations Director and her “elves”, Johnny and Liz at Caliente who set us up for success!

My final thank you has to go to the Owner of Caliente H-D, Fred Bosshardt. Without Fred, there would be no H.O.G. Chapter. I have been involved with a number of H.O.G. Chapters over the years and I can relay to all of you that Fred’s support of this Chapter has no peer. In discussions with other H.O.G. Chapters’ leadership in conferences that your Primary Officers and I have attended, it is glaring as to the differences across the board. Rick Hudson is our handpicked Chapter Liaison by Fred and he is instrumental in keeping us focused and “in-the-know”. Personal involvement is key and to show their commitment to our Chapter, both Fred and Rick attended the Party and engaged in a number of friendly conversations with anyone who wanted to say hello. Fred addressed the Chapter Membership and discussed a number of things with a really neat item to look forward to IRT H-D’s venture into electric motorcycles.

I recognized the outgoing Chapter Leadership for 2018 that did an outstanding job. I also introduced the incoming Chapter Leadership. For those who didn’t attend, I will continue as your Director as will Lynda as the Assistant Director, and Merry as the Treasurer. Diane Pittman will pick up the torch to be our Secretary and this will be your Primary Officers. For Discretionary Officers, Frank “F1” Deyo will take the duties of the Membership Officer and will also knock out the duties as our Social Media Officer as well. Kathleen Williams will take over as our LOH Officer, Margie Asevedo will become our Head Photographer with Chris Williams giving her a hand as the Assistant Photographer, and Tony Williams will take over as Sergeant at Arms. Bobbi will stay on as our Activities Officer along with Dale Figart as our Webmaster and David Gomez as our Head Road Captain. I am thinking this staff will serve the Chapter well and I look forward to a great 2019. I will recognize the new incoming leadership with their patches at the Jan Social.

Merry’s and Cici’s gifts to the Chapter are on display at the Dealership. They are incredibly awesome and will grace anyone’s home. These will be given away on 22Dec18. A ticket of chance for either one is only \$5.00. I can’t say enough how beautiful these items are. Consider the sheer amt of time both of these Chapter Members put in to make these. Make sure you give them a thumbs up!

It is time to renew your Annual Chapter Membership for 2019. Your paperwork also serves as your ride waiver for the year which is a **H.O.G. requirement**. POC is any Chapter Primary officer but the belly button hub for all the spokes is Diane, our Membership Officer. Her email is membership@calientehog.com. On 01Jan19, this responsibility will transition to F1 and we will continue signing up folks. As an FYI, the email will remain the same. Even if you have a membership via a bike sale and you have several months left, we are required to have a new one to cover the ride waiver requirement for the new calendar year. Please contact Diane soonest.

RIDE CALENDAR:

15Dec18 – Delivery to Roy Maas. KSU 09:00. From there, a quick ride out and about.

01Jan19 - Blessing of the Bikes. KSU 09:00 from the Park and Ride I-10 / 1604 on the NW side. LRC F2, SRC Towne. If you don't have an updated signed Chapter Membership on record, I will be forced to make you sign in with a waiver. This will be effective from this ride going forward.

13Jan19 - KSU: TBD. LRC Dave G., SRC TBD

26Jan19 - KSU: TBD. LRC F1, SRC F2

We will continue to primarily plan rides on the 2nd Sunday and 4th Saturday of the month but will adjust as holidays and other events conflict. I am taking the Chapter to three rides a month starting in Jan.

EVENTS:

17-24Dec18 - We will start **Gift Wrapping** at the Dealership the week of 17 Dec. I will formally readdress this in the Midweek Calientegram update on Wed., 12Dec18. We hover around 140 Chapter Members at any given time and I am hoping I can get a few hours here and a few hours there from many of you. Busy time of year for all but if everyone pitches in... Anyway nice way to meet other Chapter Members and at the same time earn some points for next year's Christmas Party.

21Dec18 - Open House (Party) at F2's House. 6 pm. Even if you can only swing by for a little while, Lori and I would be honored by your company. Details will be available on the 16Dec18 Calientegram.

05Jan19 - **Chapter Social** 10:30 am – Caliente Dealership

- **Road Captain Meeting** - 8:30 am – Caliente Training Room
- **New Member Orientation** - 9:30 am - Caliente Training Room
- **Fundraiser** – Caliente Dealership - 11:00 am – 4:00 pm – Volunteers needed to help with our Chapter fundraiser.

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.

Group Riding reminders/tips – Looks like the wild San Antonio winter is here. If you ride, expect mornings to be rather brisk but warming up throughout the day. The key here is layering. Pay particular attention to your face and hands. Wind chill at 55 mph at 45 degrees brings things down to about 32 degrees which after a few minutes, you will be miserable if you are not prepared. You can expect these wild temperature swings to continue up into March. Also, don't forget your backseater!

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Frank Knapp
Director, CCSA