### Caliente Chapter San Antonio (CCSA) - CALIENTE H.O.G. #2013

## Calientegram – September 29, 2024

#### **CALIENTE H.O.G. RIDE CALENDAR:**

Caliente H.O.G. sponsored rides are a Closed Event

For all Rides, you are required to be there 15 minutes prior to KSU (Kick Stands Up) so that you can get signed in and attend the pre-ride briefing.

#### **RIDES & EVENTS**

## October 5, 2024 (Saturday) Meeting/Social

9:00 Road Captains Meeting

10:30 – Meeting/Social – We will start selling tickets for our Christmas Party \$20 per member, singles can bring a guest also \$20.

**October 11-14, 2024 (Friday – Monday) - KSU 0730.** LRC Tony, SRC Towne. Leave from Castroville McDonald's. Trip to Big Bend, Alpine area. Holiday Inn Express, 432-837-9597. Travelodge and others nearby. 350 miles one-way. Make reservations early.

October 19, 2024 (Saturday) – Hot Rods and Harley's Event – 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. We will also have a fundraiser.

October 19 – 20, 2024 (Saturday & Sunday) – KSU 0800, LRC Tony, SRC F2. Ride to Center TX for "10 for 2024" HOG Coin.

October 26, 2024 (Saturday) – 2 Events – Trunk or Treat (decorate bikes and pass out candy to kids) and Progressive Dinner, KSU 4:00 p.m. More details to follow.

October 31, 2024 (Thursday) – Halloween Bike Night at Chunkys, 4602 Callaghan Rd. 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

October 31 – November 3, 2024 (Thursday – Sunday) – Ride to Lone Star Rally. 2 Separate Rides. 1<sup>st</sup>, Leaving Thursday October 31, 2024, KSU 0830. LRC Tony, SRC Towne. Heading to League City. Hampton Inn League City, 281-614-5437. Candlewood Suites is immediately adjacent. Make reservations early. 2<sup>nd</sup> Leaving Friday November 1, 2024, KSU 9:00 a.m. LRC Zorro.

## November 9, 2024 (Saturday) Meeting/Social

9:00 Road Captains Meeting

10:30 – Meeting/Social – Following our meeting we will have the annual Caliente Employee Appreciation Lunch – We will need folks to sign up to make chili for a chili cookoff among the HOG Members, bring sides and desserts. This is always a great time to visit with the employees and fellow HOG Members. Send me an email if you would like to make some chili, bring sides (cornbread, crackers, cheese, onions, etc) or bring a dessert. <a href="mailto:secretary@calientehog.com">secretary@calientehog.com</a>

We will also still be selling tickets for our Christmas Party \$20 per member, singles can bring a guest also \$20.

#### **Odds and Ends**

Thanks to everyone that showed up for the movie night this past Friday. Great turnout for helping to prep the popcorn, chips and drinks that the Chapter provided and beer and water from the Dealership. There was a decent showing for watching the movie. I thought it was a great set up, huge screen and great audio. Thanks Caliente. Diane

Our combined Chapter/Dealership Trike Fest ride on Saturday, 28 Sept 2024 was a thrill to participate in. From 09:10 until 13:30, Towne took on the lead and kept his "KoKo III" TriGlide under the speed limit, trying to keep the mix of 38 trikes & bikes within field goal range of each other. The 'accordion' action was very pronounced the further back in line you were. We had several 'non-HOG' riders who were not familiar with our 'group-ride' positions, as-well-as, an inexperienced biker or two. That combination caused our line to stretch over the horizon. We had three breaks for gas/water/potty. Total mileage was to 180 miles. Shortly after our first stop in Bandera, I lost three of my road captains (helping in Sweep & Rover positions) to a breakdown; a RC's bike died, due to an electrical charging problem. Well, heck! We just kept on riding, all the way to Vanderpool, back through Bandera as "Rumble on the River" was in full boom; (keep your guns holstered as you ride through) & back to Caliente H-D via Helotes.

Now you know, it is Autumn. So, why are we still riding in 95°+ Texas Heat? I give an 'shout out' to my RCs who stepped up to make this large Trike Fest ride a success. Thank you Tony, 'Zorro', Brad, Jack, Lou & Katy! Ride Safely! Towne, Road Captain

# 18-22 Sept 2024.

Salute to Mitch R., who coordinated an exciting ride up to Rogers, AR to participate in Bikes, Blues & BBQ. The weather was Fantastic. The two-day rides up & back were VERY scenic. To include the OK Talihina Skyway and HOG 50 rides One Nation coin photo op (it is a beautiful ride). He met up with Towne (returning from The Northwoods Fall Ride in WI) and stayed at his place for three nights. Together, they did the usual HOG pin stop, Dealership check-ins, venue visits & (3) 150-210 mile Ozark Mts rides.

In Texas, Mitch had purchased a papoose-style insulated water bag that mounts on his tank, (kind of held there under his tummy). Coincidentally, at the venue that was selling them, he was recruited to answer questions as to why he loves the system so much. Now, you will see Mitch drinking 'water' while riding to make 100K on his odometer, sometime in the next 6 months.

Next year, y'all are invited to repeat Mitch's Chapter Ride to B, B & BBQ. Let's Ride Folks! Ride Safely! Towne, Road Captain

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12-15 Sept 2024. Northwoods Fall Ride, Tomahawk, WI.

Hey, this was a Great tiding trek. For the second time this year I was up in WI. Y'all were invited, too. I stayed in an 1890's farmhouse and visited all 5 H-D Dealerships and the H-D Museum in Milwaukee, before heading 275 miles North for the rally. On the ride up, I rode the WI "50 rides One Nation" route in Door County. That is the long-narrow peninsula jutting up into Lake Michigan.

In Tomahawk (home to the H-D 'Paint Shop', where all our bikes get their pretty colors applied.) I stayed in a homemade Cabin in the woods, complete with a river, nightly campfires (thankfully no mosquitos),

BBQ'd Steaks & Bratwurst! . The weather was unseasonably warm, 80s and 90s. Sunny every day. It seemed like I was still in Texas!

There was some color in the trees; yellows (Poplar, Ash, Birch, Aspen), oranges (Maples) & reds (Sumac & Maples). I rode up into the UP (You Pee) and enjoyed all the beautiful lakes, Ponderosa, Spruce & Oak forests and Cranberry bogs along the route.

Heading back to Texas, I stopped in AR and met up with Mitch R. The first night of the B, B & BBQ rally we ate ribs. Well, maybe that's one reason I gained 10 pounds of extra weight! Maybe I will have one or two of you along for my next Chapter Ride to enjoy the 'Northwoods Fall Ride'! Ride Safely! Towne, Road Captain

#### **ATTN HOG members who are Veterans!!**

Eric, the photographer who did the Veteran's day photos last year is having another go this year. He is doing the project again to honor his parents and all veterans.

He will be setting up a display every Sunday at Caliente from 1 til 4. At your convenience, stop by to chat with him, answer a few questions, and have your photo taken. There is no cost. Last year, all those who participated received a copy of their photo.

Let's help him make this project a success!

I have a few extra t-shirts available for \$30 each. We have 2 different colors available – charcoal with white writing and a light gray with black writing. First come, first served. Send me an email and what size you need if you are interested.

**Picture Time!** For those with pictures of rides, events, meetings, etc., please feel free to email the Caliente Hog Webmaster at webmaster@calientehog.com.

When sending in pictures, please specify the date and the event (for example, HOG ride to Luckenbach, or Caliente Harley Swap Meet).

No children may be in the photo or background. Be mindful of your surroundings. Kevin

#### **Future Dates**

Future Overnight Ride Dates:

HOG Coins Ride to Alamogordo, NM, 9-11 Nov. KSU 0800. LRC Tony.

# Ride and Seek Challenge (2024)

All photos need to be emailed to: Brad and texted to Abby

See all the details at: https://www.calientehog.com/

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