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Come Ride With Us

42nd Annual Int'l Rally Clarksville, VA September 15-20, 2019

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**CG Occoneechhee State Park, 1192 Occoneechhee State Park
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We survived the winds & rains of Florence & Michael
Lost power for 6 days and lots of trees down.

Joe & Jan



Thanks much to the Saunders for leading
our rides.

Lots of great feedback from our Members

On Eagle Wings

May They rest in peace.



John Franklin SR 9/3/2018



Dick Adams 8/8/2018



Dennis Edell April 2018



Denny Ortz 8/28/2018

From Diane Theobold September 2018
I want to donate the enclosed jewelry in Jacks memory with a huge thank you to the trustees for keeping the "dream" alive. This jewelry that Jack & I designed and actually made, it is the last of them. The association was started to give people friends to enjoy, share and ride with, it was there for me and the reason I stepped up when needed.
Sincerely, Diane Theobold

From George & Ineke Pierpoint Oct 2018
Joe & Jan, Thank you so much for the fantastic rally in Sayre, Pa. Ineke and I had a great time and we thought everything was perfect. All the activities you planned along with Monday & Friday dinners were the best. Thank you so much. George & Ineke

If you are on Facebook, check out our members only 'Harley Dresser Friends' page. It is a private Facebook page with a lot of photos and information about what's going on with Harley Dresser Association members. Go to the page, request to join, and we will add you.
Linda King



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Sayre, PA Rally – Sept 17-21, 2018

We were on the road again to our rally in Sayre, PA and glad to leave suburbia to travel to the Finger Lakes area in New York State and rolling hills of northeastern Pennsylvania where the mighty Susquehanna and Chemung rivers meet. So, what brought us to Sayre, you say. Joe Travis met a guy at Stan's HD at our Geneseo NY Rally in 2015 and was told Sayre was a perfect place for a bike rally. Who knew? Sayre has small town friendliness, little traffic and beautiful biking roads to many nearby attractions.

Saturday - Members began arriving with lots of trikes and some new trike riders. After a whole week of clouds, rain, and fog in the Northeast, and Hurricane Florence ravaging NC and the mid-Atlantic, we had a beautiful double rainbow in Sayre late in the day as the mist continued to the east and the sun set in the west. A maybe this was good omen for our week ahead. Everyone agreed we had a hot and wet summer which limited riding. Connie McDonald smiled and said, "if it's not 300 miles, it's not a ride".

Sunday - Rally sign-in at the hotel took place and most members arrived that day. Sixty-nine members attended, and some were affected by hurricane Florence still churning in NC, SC and VA. It's hard to leave your home when it is threatened by storm damage and we had some cancellations due to that. Thank you, Ed Lyons, once again for designing our rally shirts. Your graphics are amazing, and we see no others anywhere like yours.

Monday - Destination Watkins Glen today – a good choice for a ride. Cliff Saunders led the ride to the Visitors' Center and parking in the center of town. It was a good kick off for the day with lots of local information provided to us at the Visitors Center. Glaciers formed the eleven Finger Lakes. Watkins Glen sits at the head of Seneca Lake, with pristine less traveled roads and beautiful vistas across the lake. There are so many pristine wineries. No lights, few cross streets, no traffic. Perfect. Now where is that ice cream? Ride north between Seneca and Cayuga Lakes through amazing vineyards overlooking Seneca Lake to find the Cayuga Lake Creamery with homemade waffle cones and ice cream. Yes! Yes! The Annual Business Meeting was held Monday evening. Nick D'Apice lead the prayer before dinner. A special empty place was set for our members who passed away and are greatly missed, and a prayer was said in their remembrance. New members were welcomed. Rit Bodie brought Bonnie Mitchell, Lake Luzerne, NY, Nick and Lynne D'Apice brought Dorothy and Derrick Hoffman, Pine Bush, NY, and Dan and Marian Smith brought Rick and Darlene Baum, Hallam, PA. Also, new members found us on Facebook this week. Mark and Sue Linderman live in Sayre and came by Thursday evening on their bike to check us out. We passed muster and they joined the Dressers and attended the banquet. Joe Travis announced that our 2019 rally will be in Clarksville, VA. Remnants of Hurricane Florence were expected overnight with a lot of rain.

Tuesday - Tioga Casino day. The morning gradually brightened, and the rain had passed. Rain only at night makes for happy bikers. Blue skies began to show through the clouds. By departure time, the sun rolled out with the bikes and the day was perfect for riding. We dodged the rain bullet once again. Cliff Saunders led the group to the Casino just twelve miles away. Thanks, Cliff. It was shirt day, and Ed Lyons created wonderful artwork incorporating our week's activities on the back of our shirts. I especially liked how he created a roulette wheel with our rally site and date in the red and black squares. Ed captures the destinations and themes of each rally in most unusual ways. Take a good look at this one! A real keepsake of our fun times together. The slot machines are very visual these days and very changed since my last casino visit. Red Weishorn gave me a crash course in Slot Machines 101 to get me started. Win a little, lose more. A fun day.

Wednesday - Ride to Finger Lakes HD + Lunch Another good day ... the showers were light and departed well before kickstands up (feet up on the trikes) for the ride on open roads with light traffic. The lunch was waiting when everyone arrived at the dealership. That put us in beautiful riding country near Seneca and Cayuga Lakes. Members were gone the rest of the day enjoying the countryside. A lot of the bikes headed up along the lakes for a loop through premier wine country overlooking the lakes.

Thursday- Ride to Eagles Mere Auto & Air Museum. I have said so many times, and many members agree, our Dresser rallies take us to so many interesting places that we never would have found or visited on our own. This is one of them. We had 14 trikes in the lineup. The ride took us down Route 220 to LaPorte, through twisties along the valley for about 60 miles. There was a lot of evidence of extensive flooding south of Towanda from August 15th. The Museum sits on a plateau in the mountains with an adjoining private airport with 3,500 ft runways, both grass and paved. The auto museum was impressive with over 75 predominately Chevrolet cars and trucks from the 1950s and 1960s and many unique pieces of vintage memorabilia. A separate hangar for the air museum houses a living and flying collection of airplanes from the golden age of flying — 1908 to 1940. There are approximately 31 antique airplanes, 80% flyable, located here at Merritt Field Airport. Afterward, Charlie Hicks said 'Illustrious' Cliff Saunders led a group to Horseheads HD after lunch, and they rode through a 6-mile detour of unpaved road on Route 14, but no problem with that, as Cliff was in charge, just out for a ride with 15 good friends. By the way, Jim Shinaberry's bike has a new name... the 'weed eater'. Jim himself named it the 'mudslinger'. Better ask Jim for the background on his off-road adventure. We had a plentiful finger food buffet at the hotel that evening, and our Dressers bike light show in the parking lot of all trikes. Townies came by to see the show.

Friday - Our banquet is always a happy time to wind up the week's activities and enjoy good company and dinner. Susan Borden lives near Elmira and joined us. Rich and Sue hosted our 2007 Corning NY Rally, and Rich passed away in 2010. We are always glad to have former Dresser friends join us at a rally or Christmas Party. Thank you, Cliff and Christina Saunders, for leading the rides all week, and thanks to their special assistants Mark Kelloff and Phil Zizzo. Someone (was that you, CW?) made note that it may have been the first rally without a U-turn. Charlie Hicks (CW) and Mark Kelloff experienced serious health issues this past year and are thankful to be back on their bikes once again. They personally thanked everyone for their prayers and support. The Light Show winners were: 1st – John Mays (with Ayme riding shotgun atop the bike trailer), 2nd – Jim Shinaberry, 3rd – Terry Malovich, and 4th – Bob McDonald. Thanks to Linda King and Nancy Coburn for facilitating the door prizes, and thanks to Charlie and Sandi Hicks for running the 50/50. Don Groesbeck won \$167. In addition, thank you Diane Theobald for donating two handmade rings and a bracelet designed by Jack and Diane to be raffled off. The winners were Debbie Ruthenberg, Judi Barillari, and Don Ruthenberg. Each year we make a charity donation to a local organization. We presented a \$500. donation to the Sayre Borough Christmas Parade and a \$100 donation to the Sayre Police Benevolence Fund. Both organizations provide gifts for kids. The members enjoyed dancing to the live band, and in particular, Jim Shinaberry joined the ladies for a mean Twist. Also, we had a glimpse of a new Joe Travis unseen before as he cut up the rug with Judi Barillari with some slick moves. Good times with good friends. We hope to see you at the Christmas Party on November 10th, in Hershey, PA. Remember, tomorrow is a gift if you ride safely today.

Eileen & Joe Rogers



From Gary & Ann Shipper

May 6, 2017

Gary has become a "sleeper" restless days & nights and much inactivity. His clock is a mystery. He eats breakfast around 2pm. Hopefully Spring will not only bring better weather, but will also give us more spring in our actions. We had a slow steady snow season. We think our cellar flooding problem has been found. No water has come in since January. We had new tile put around the basement wall.

We are hopeful our "work crew" will come mid May and redo our lawn. Then we will need to replace our front (porch-deck) entrance. Our kids from NC (Lincolnton) are coming for a few days May 10-14. My father's side of the family "Glenister" reunion will be May 13th- Mother's Day. My cousin said he plans for around 60+ people. We should have a grand time. Our son in Florida will not be able to be here, but our daughter here in NY will. I guess having 2 out of 3 kids together will be a nice gift for me. Thanks for all you do for the Association, it is a lot of work. Hopefully we can get to see you in 2018.

From Shirley & Jimmie Shinaberry

Spring 2018

Just wanted to let you know I was so surprised to receive the lovely & delicious box of fruit from you all. I am still in chemo treatments, but doing ok with them. I will probably be on them for 3-4 months. Thank you for all the cards and prayers for us. We also lost one of our Grandsons on January 31. He had a brain aneurism that burst and never came out of the coma, he was 34 years old. Hope to see you all at the rally in September. (note from Jan Travis) Shirley had surgery the Monday before our rally, and she showed up at the rally, I was totally floored and impressed. Good seeing you Shirley!

From Paul & Lil Lafleur

September 2018

Could you pass on to the membership that we wish to thank all of our Harley Dresser family for the wonderful cards and words of support during her time prior to surgery and now recovery. We are pleased to say that all went well on the surgery and she is now back home and has no pain. She was in good hands with great doctors, nurses and staff. But it's through everyone's support and prayers that made it a success. Thanks again to everyone and we hope to see you all at the next rally

From Bonnie Mitchell

October 1, 2018



I arrived in Sayre, Pa for the rally on Sunday Sept 15th. Being brand new to the Dressers I had no idea what to expect. When I walked thru the front doors of the Best Western everyone had a smile and a hello even though they had no idea who I was. The week continued in the same way. I have never met such a wonderful group of people. I had a really great time, met some fantastic people and can't wait for the next one. If all goes well my dear friend Rit Bodie and I

will see you all again!

From Charlie Hicks

September 27, 2018

If you were at the meeting in Sayre, PA you already heard me say thank you, thank you for the cards and calls after my hospital visit. I feel good and hope I didn't bore anyone at the rally by explaining the difference between having a valve job done on yourself is a little different than having it done on your bike. Having said that, I would like to move on by telling you that despite the weather forecasts we had a fun filled rally. At some point you have to, I think, wonder to yourself, "was that my last rally?" Situations come our way and we have to deal with them head on. The loss of Association Family members is heart breaking and I can only hope that wherever they may be, they know we are fondly talking about the miles of good times we all shared. There is what I call MCI (motor cycle itch). That is regardless of what is going on in your life you feel the need to just be on your motorcycle, on a ride with your friends. Now when this is accomplished you can go back to your regular routines, your work and or your life style until the itch comes again! This brings me to what I am trying to bring up as a "please give this some thought" article. Trustees want to keep the majority happy and know that making everyone happy is near impossible. The midsummer rally time slot seemed to fall into the "goldie locks syndrome", that is: To hot, to cold, to wet, to windy-you follow me? Sooo-it was changed to the fall season, assuming this would keep everyone completely happy. Now what we are seeing is this does not appear to be the case. The fall season rally is also too hot, to cold, to wet, to windy. What's with that? This is where I come to the "please give it some serious thought".

#1 we go all year to the end of motorcycle season before we rally together as a bike family.

#2 six or seven weeks later we meet for our Christmas Party, not to see each other again until the end of next years motorcycle season again.

#3 we are starting to meet during the season in smaller groups to sort of satisfy the mci that is happening in the long dry spell of not seeing each other.

Now is this filling the void and need? To not worry about going to a fall rally because you are going to see everyone in the six or seven weeks anyhow?

#4 this leads me to think that perhaps if the association were to possibly schedule a rally maybe late May, June or August (just an example) that we could get a larger "itch" satisfied to support our association first and the smaller itch were they feel the need later towards the end of the season.

#5 the Harley Dresser Association at 41 years needs your support to keep us together and to continue as a strong as possible. We need to support our bike family.

#6 the use of the tri-glides is becoming the norm If this keeps our older riders "in the saddle" so to speak, then I say COOL! Learning to comfortably ride one is as much fun as we had back in our youthful days on the original FL's.

#7 let us continue to ride together, stay together and support ourselves together.

#8 we may have to change our logo from "Ride with Pride" to an updated version of "Glide with Pride".

#9 I hope this will open discussion from a group thought as a meeting, to individual thinking on your own preference to try to meet our associations needs. Who knows?

Someone may have a solution that is really easy if we have some time to think about it. Anyone can complain. There is a certain few very adapt at solving problems. It could be you. Cecil Rose, Sandi and I are the only past trustees since its beginning to continuously support rally attendance whenever, wherever and however we could. We know first hand what is involved in presenting the best possible experience for the members. We totally support our trustees in their decisions. We hope you all agree and keep our big family coming back for more.

Guess you know now I am as lengthy at writing as I am at talking. Oh well.... Respectfully,

Charlie Hicks



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