


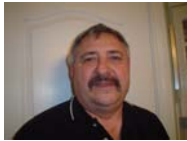


Harley Owners Group

Red Deer H.O.G.[®] Chapter # 9035 News letter Sept 2010.



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Rick Mulhall , Editor Red Deer H.O.G.[®] Chapter #9035. The Red Deer Chapter organized our overnight trip to the **Highwood Pass Aug. 28,29th**, staying at the **Stoney Nakoda Lodge/ Casino in Kananaskis**. We had 8 Bikes and 12 Riders. For those of us that threw Caution to the Wind, and ignored preliminary Weather Network Reports, were rewarded with Cool but Sunshine filled day, through some awesome scenery, without getting Wet....The next day we braved the Elements, and had to ride for an hour in the Rain. However: We all had a wonderful time, and Bonded into a Cohesive team of Chapter Members that will always Remember that Particular Ride, and give us another Story to talk about in the Nursing Home. (See the Chapter Newsletter/ or website for the full Story, and pic's). As some of you probably know by now, **Randy Doucet**, our **Chapter Director** has transferred to a new Job in BC, and Moved during the month of August. He will be sadly missed by the **RD H.O.G.[®]** Chapter and Executive. Randy and his late wife Kristie were Instrumental Contributors in planning and organizing our Very Successful and Precedent setting Alberta **H.O.G.[®]** Rally in 2008. Many of us will always remember the good times and many miles, shared with them. I wish him all the best of luck in his new setting. **Brad Swinston** (Assistant Director) will be filling in until the Next Nomination and **Election of officers in the Fall Nov. Meeting**. I hope everyone got a chance to get to the Demo Rides Sept 10, and try out that new Ride. Thanks for the volunteers that manned the BBQ and Road Captain jobs, and also for doing the Sell Your Bike Event at GAHD Sept. 25. Mother Nature was still throwing an array of nasty little games at us. This has been a cold and wet season, but I understand Ontario is getting all our nice weather, and was having an unusually Hot/Sunny/ Dry summer. Now **Indian Summer** is at our door step, the leaves are turning brilliant **colors**, making for some spectacular Fall riding...Enjoy. There isn't much riding time left, so "**Get out and Ride**".

Sunday Brunch will be changing to 10:00 AM, Oct. 1st.2010 Smittys on Gasoline Alley.

I am also pleased to introduce one of our long standing Chapter Members, Bob Paradis, who has provided us with access to his **Blog**. For anyone that knew Bob and Candace it will provide you with some interesting stories, as he chronicles his travels this summer from coast to coast, in a Commemorative ride "**Sun to Sea - Tribute Ride**" for his late wife Candace. Check out the Chapter Newsletter/ Web site for his introduction and Blog address.

Rick Mulhall Editor



Randy Doucet Chapter Director Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter # 9035.

FAREWELL EVERYONE!
From Randy Doucet

Hello everyone and greetings from Abbotsford, BC! I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the 5 years I have been associated with the Red Deer chapter of the Harley Owners Group®. I have met some of the best people both within the chapter and at Gasoline Alley Harley-Davidson. If it wasn't for that one Saturday in 2005 when my wife Kristie said "It's time you gave yourself a gift" and Barry Whitlaw for making the purchase of my Electra Glide® so easy, I probably would not have ridden away that following Monday on my new bike. Now three bikes later (all from GAHD) and currently on my CVO Road Glide®, I find myself riding the roads of BC and Washington, but I do have heart strings in Red Deer. You cannot ride without being associated with other Harley® enthusiasts and mine started with the dealership and quickly included the chapter group, of which many will be life long friends. Thanks go to those that have worked so hard in making the chapter a growing success. Whether it's volunteering your time at dealership functions, Sunday rides after breakfast or the summer trips, your part in all of the events have made the chapter strong. I would like to thank all the members since 2005 that held Primary Officer positions and ensured the chapter operated smoothly. Appreciation goes out to Brad Swinston for taking over as Director for the remainder of the 2010 riding season and the current chapter officers and members that support him. The events and rides I have experienced with people will never be forgotten. The outpouring of support during the 2008 Alberta Rally we held still ranks as the proudest moment for me, we're still ranked as the best Alberta Rally to date and it would not have been possible without the help of you; the member. I would also like to thank our sponsor Grant Price for his help, both personally and chapter operations wise, and also the employees at Gasoline Alley Harley-Davidson® who make the total package of riding and having fun more reachable. In closing, I only wish the best for everyone and that the miles you put on are safe and enjoyable. Take care everyone and a heart-felt "Thank-you" to those I will never forget: Deb & Dwayne, Peggy & Vanessa, Sandra, Brenda & Steve, Rick & Sherry, Norm & Fran (who could ever forget Norm!), Yoda, Alan, Brad, Ken & Maddy, Tana, John & Deb, Joe & Dixie, Slap N**ts, Dennis & Sue, Kelvin & Camille, Lloyd & Charlotte, Kevin & Donna, Marcel, Gladys, Barry & Grant; for everything you gave me, I will never forget. "Big Dog"



Deb Arneson LADIES OF HARLEY™ , Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter #9035

The L.O.H.™ Well here we are, what we had for a summer is over and time to get back at it. I've opted to not have a LOH meeting in September due to my schedule and the fact that we have a few of the girls gone on a holiday. There will be a get together in October, likely a Saturday evening , but for the moment I am not disclosing what we are doing as I am deciding between a couple of things. I will let you all know when and where. I will be viewing the finished sketches for our calendar this weekend and am looking to have them completed and ready for sale by our General meeting in November. I'm really excited about this as I believe it will be a great fund raiser for our chapter. See you all in October! **Deb Arneson**



Dwayne Arneson, Membership, Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter #9035.

As of Sept we have a total of 152 local RD Chapter members. We still have a few that joined the local Chapter as members, but **need to get their National Membership CD numbers**, (or renew them). Make sure the email addresses and phone numbers are correct. **Dwayne Arneson**



Gerry Johnston, Photographer Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter #9035.

When Randy took over as the director I was a brand new member to the HOG board. Randy always made me feel welcome and part of the group. He took time to consult or ask for my opinion on every thing that was up for debate. This made me feel part of the group and gave me tremendous confidence going forward. For that I would like to thank you Randy and wish all the best in your new location. **Gerry Johnston.**



The local **H.O.G.®** Chapter has purchased a Limited amount of “**Red Deer Chapter Pins**” approx. 1-1/2 inch diameter, similar to the Eagle logo below, with Red Deer Alberta included above the logo. **\$15 dollars each,**



and also have some [“New H.O.G.® Merchandise”](#) . Flags Hats, Bags, Chapter T-shirts, Playing Cards etc. We may be selling these items at the next GAHD event or you can contact our **Secretary Fran Wolfson** or **Peg Averill** our **Treasurer** at **Sunday Breakfast** or by calling **403-314-0150.**

Great friends are made through our H.O.G. Chapter, and Randy you are one of them. I will really miss the rides, trips, visits and the good and rough times that we have shared; but will be friends forever. I wish only the best for you in the future to come. Good luck....BIG GUY!!! **Peggy Averill.**



Brad Swinston Assistant Director Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter #9035.

This is a note to Randy Doucet, aka, Big Dog. You will be missed around here, my good friend. I hope all goes well for you in B.C., especially the weather. Thank you for all the great work that you have done in the past for the Red Deer HOG Chapter. Thank you for all the laughs and great conversations held at our weekly breakfast. Your great ideas and valuable input served us well at our HOG meetings. I hope to see you at our annual motorcycle show. There is some excellent motorcycle riding in B.C. so perhaps we will have a chin wag and discuss a trip out to see your new place next summer. Once again, thanks for everything Big Dog! I hope to hear from you soon.

Red Deer Local H.O.G.® Chapter # 9035 Mileage Challenge.

For Members that Filled out their Forms and had their Starting Mileage verified, Time is running out, to put on that last little bit of 2 wheel time. We will ask that you fill in your Closing mileage and have it verified by one of the Executive and submit it prior to the Next, Fall Chapter General Meeting and Elections in November 2010, (TBA date to be announced) Where a winner or winners, will be determined, and prizes handed out.

Sky to Sea – 2010. By Bob Paradis

Let me begin by introducing myself to you. From the "H-D world" perspective, I'm a HOG Life Member (CD0881461) and have been a member since 1996. During that time, I was the Director of the Red Deer, Alberta Chapter #9035 when it was resurrected in 1997 and continued in the role through to 1999. Naturally, over the years I have been involved in numerous local events, including the 2008 Alberta Provincial Rally. I've had 8 HD's in all, have logged roughly 225,000 km and my current ride is a 2007 Ultra-Glide. From a personal perspective, I retired from work this year which provided me with an opportunity not many have - more on that below.

The Glide and I traveled across the country this summer which, although nice, is hardly reason enough to send you this email. You see, the trip had a purpose which was a tribute to my wife, Candace, who passed away last year due to the dreaded "C" disease. Some of her H-D background was that she rode a 2006 Road King, also was a Chapter Director in the early 2000's, was in the first group to get POT training, supported the chapter in all facets, and while undergoing chemotherapy, took on the Registration Coordinator role for the Alberta Provincial Rally. On a personal level, she was the mother of our 3 sons and was a Registered Nurse working at the Red Deer hospital. I could go on and on here but ...

The reason for the email is that I documented the entire trip this summer on a blog and am sending you its URL below. The feedback I received from many was "...interesting, sensitive, humorous, inspiring" and was encouraged to publish it. Well, I thought that was probably going a little too far but as I read this last HOG Tales, it dawned on me you may find it or parts of it interesting to share.

The blog name is "Sky To Sea - 2010" and its address is <http://bobshoglog.blogspot.com> . You'll note that the last post (there are 54 entries- **click the Arrows** on the left margin to open) is the first you see so you'd have to go all the way back to the start to follow the journey (I haven't been able to figure out how to reverse it so you see the first post when you open it - oh well.). The only thing I would ask is to let me know should you wish to use some of this so I can alert individuals whose photos you might be using. Thanks and enjoy. Bob Paradis



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Highwood Pass Aug. 28,29th, Stoney Nakoda Lodge/ Casino in Kananaskis.

Hi everyone. Well the Highwood Pass Run has come and gone for this year. The number of people fluctuated, as they booked in then cancelled out depending on personal circumstances. In the end we had 12 riders and 8 bikes. Brad booked in at the last minute also, and Gerry rode sweep. We never ended up with a group picture as we were going to do it at the Pass, but cool weather and the threat of rain kept us going. The brave / hearty souls that rode, are **Rick/Sherry Mulhall -Editor, Gerry/Loretta Johnson -Photographer, Ray/Darlene Collins from Rocky, Walter/Sharon Leitenbruner, Bill Bugbee Innisfail, Grover Verbunt Innisfail, Brad Swinston -Assistant Director, Don Bithell Ft McMurray.**

The ride to Kananaskis went pretty good. We met for Breakfast at Smitty's, and picked up Grover along the way at Innisfail. We rode the 2A to Didsbury, then West on highway 582, to 22, then South to Cochrane. We stopped in Bragg Creek for lunch, gassed up at Black Diamond, had a refreshment in the Black Diamond Hotel. This is Truly a historical stop you do not want to miss. They really fixed that one up, and have one of the longest Bars in the country. They usually have entertainment, and the rooms aren't bad either. (We stayed there a few years ago on a trip). The temperatures Saturday were maybe 15 deg, cloudy periods but mostly sunny, until we turned at Longview to go into the park on highway 40.... It really clouded up, temps dropped, and it looked really **Nasty**. We were heading into the **Eye of the Storm**. The effect of the swirling winds coming over the mountain tops, and the Dark, ugly clouds left us with a **Spectacular View** that will be hard to forget, while we avoided any real rain, at least not enough to get us wet. We stopped just before the pass, to put on warmer cloths, gloves, and plugged in those Wires....thank goodness for the miracle of heated vests. We had snow flakes going over the pass, and my bike temp gauge reading went from 40, to about 30 to 35 Degrees F going over the Highest paved road West of the Divide. We decided not to go up to Nakiska Village, because we could see it was raining up there, so we just boogied onwards to the Stoney Nakoda Casino Hotel. We got there in time to avoid the approaching rain clouds, at approximately 6pm. We all had supper and watched part of the **Riders/Edmonton** game and then the **UFC 118 fights front row** on the lounge Big screen. A few tried their hand at the **Casino**, but nobody filled their bags with Money, ha ha. After the fights, the Matt Blaiss band played at the lounge. Most people retired early, except for one or two; who shall remain nameless, that stayed up BS'ing over some drinks. We knew the morning was going to be a cold ride, so we didn't plan on leaving too early...but before we could escape, the weather socked in and started to rain pretty good. With no let up in site, we bundled up in rain gear, and rode for 45 min. in the rain from Nakoda, through Morley to just a little past Cochrane. It was only about 6 to 8 degrees all day. But no one really complained or got too cold or wet with rain gear, and some heated vests. We made the mistake of escorting Ray/Darlene to the highway 22/27 corner. As he rode off to the West on 22 to Rocky, we discovered a very bumpy, rough and slow 20 km ride through Construction to Olds. We stopped at Tim Horton's in Olds, for a coffee, a bite, and a warm up, then and headed back into RD on the 2A. Thanks to every one that participated. It's never the good or bad, that happens on a ride, it's meeting and spending time with good people, with similar interests, or reacquainting with old friends..... that's what memories are made of. Ride Safe, Ride long.

Rick Mulhall Red Deer H.O.G.® Chapter # 9035 Editor.



The Clouds are Rolling in.....Holey Crap what did we get into....but we didn't get Too wet

