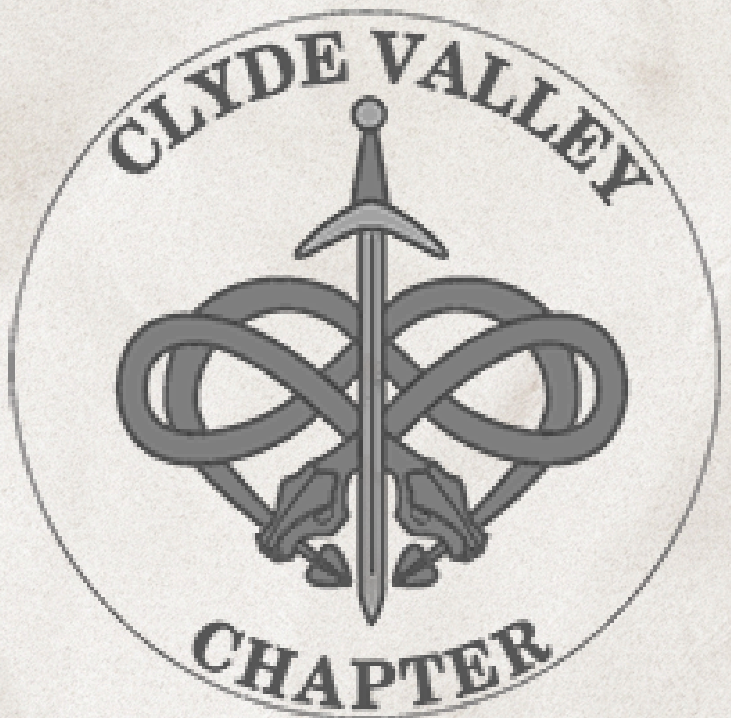


CLYDE VALLEY HOG

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

WELL HERE WE ARE AT THE END OF ANOTHER YEAR AND YOU MAY FIND YOURSELF ASKING..."WHERE DID THE LAST 12 MONTHS GO?"

IT'S BEEN A FUNNY YEAR WITH A LOT OF CHANGE BOTH PERSONALLY AND WITHIN THE CHAPTER. IF YOU HAD ASKED ME THIS TIME LAST YEAR WHERE I EXPECTED TO BE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS, I WOULD LIKELY HAVE SAID "JUST DOING THE SAME OLD....". NEVER DID I IMAGINE I WOULD BE SAT HERE AS DIRECTOR. YET HERE WE ARE. AND NOT ONLY THAT WE HAVE A NEW COMMITTEE WITH NEW OFFICERS, SOME IN PREVIOUSLY UNFILLED ROLES THAT ARE NOW APPOINTED AND A GREAT TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS AROUND US THAT WILL DRIVE US FORWARD INTO WHAT I AM SURE WILL BE A GREAT 2026. A GREAT MIX I THINK OF YOUTH, EXPERIENCE, ENTHUSIASM AND DARE I SAY INSANITY. A LITTLE MADNESS DID NO ONE ANY HARM!

THERE ARE A HOST OF CLICHE'S THAT I COULD FIRE OUT AT THIS POINT BUT I AM NOT ONE FOR TWEE INSPIRATIONAL PHRASES. ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT THE CHAPTER WILL DELIVER FOR YOU INDIVIDUALLY, IN EQUAL MEASURE AND HOPEFULLY MORE, WHATEVER YOU PUT INTO IT. VISITING NEW PLACES, RIDING NEW ROADS, MAKING NEW FRIENDS, MAYBE IF YOU ARE VERY LUCKY, RIDING NEW BIKES, AND MOST OF ALL BANKING NEW MEMORIES. THINGS THAT MAKE YOU LOOK BACK WITH A SMILE AND SAY... REMEMBER THAT TIME.....?

IT WAS EVIDENT WHEN WE ATTENDED ROC IN OCTOBER, THAT 2026 IS TO BE A BIG YEAR FOR HOG. BIG PLANS, BIG EVENTS AND BIG CHALLENGES. WHAT WAS HEARTENING WAS THAT WHAT WE ARE DOING AT CLYDE VALLEY HOG IS IN LOCKSTEP WITH THE BIGGEST RIDING CLUB IN THE WORLD'S PLANS. WE WANT ALL OUR MEMBERS TO JOIN US ON THE JOURNEY BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO BE A LAUGH.

WE WILL LAUGH WHEN WE HAVE SUCCESSES AND YES, LEARN TO LAUGH WHEN MAYBE THINGS DON'T GO QUITE TO PLAN OR AS ANTICIPATED, BECAUSE ULTIMATELY, THAT'S WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT, RIDING OUR BIKES AND HAVING FUN. IF IT DOESN'T MAKE YOU HAPPY, WHY ELSE WOULD YOU DO IT? MORE MILES MAKE MORE SMILES. YES IT'S COLD, WET AND MISERABLE OUTSIDE RIGHT NOW, BUT WE HAVE REGULAR GET TOGETHERS TO SEE THE WINTER THROUGH AND MAKE PLANS FOR THE COMING SEASON OF RIDES, EVENTS AND RALLIES. SOME OF US WILL STILL MANAGE TO GET OUT NOW AND AGAIN ON THE ODD FAIR DAY THROUGH WINTER, BUT FOR MOST, IN A MERE 14 WEEKS (AT THE TIME OF WRITING) THE SOUND OF THOSE STARTERS CRANKING AND THE BIG V TWINS RUMBLING WILL FILL STREETS, GARAGES AND DRIVEWAYS ACROSS THE WEST OF SCOTLAND AND ANOTHER RIDING SEASON WILL BEGIN.

I CAN'T WAIT AND HOPE YOU CAN'T EITHER.

SEE YOU ON THE ROAD.

MAY YOU AND YOURS HAVE A MERRY, PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS CHRISTMAS TIME AND 2026.

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MEMBER MINUTE



NAME:

BOBBY MCCULLOCH

FROM:

SOUTHSIDE, GLASGOW

CURRENT BIKE:

SOFTTAIL STANDARD

DREAM BIKE:

HARDTAIL CHOPPER

FAVOURITE RALLY:

SWISS HARLEY DAYS LUGANO

FAVOURITE MOVIE:

ZULU

FAVOURITE FOOD:

PIE, BEANS AND CHIPS

WHAT MAKES CVH FOR YOU:

TOGETHERNESS



NAME:

ANDY LENNON

FROM:

COAGTBRIDGE

CURRENT BIKE:

2017 CVO STREET GLIDE

DREAM BIKE:

CVO STREET GLIDE

FAVOURITE RALLY:

THE GATHERING, HOG N BOG AND CIRCUS MAX

FAVOURITE MOVIE:

SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION

FAVOURITE FOOD:

STEAK

WHAT MAKES CVH FOR YOU:

THE PEOPLE, FRIENDS AND RIDING



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DEALER PRINCIPLE



MESSAGE FROM DON RUTHERFORD - DEALER PRINCIPLE

NO DOUBT THAT LIKE ME YOU'LL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO 2026 AND THINKING ABOUT ALL THE RIDES, RALLIES AND VARIOUS EVENTS YOU'VE PLANNED OR PERHAPS STILL AT PLANNING STAGE BUT IT'S ALSO A TIME WHEN FAMILIES TRY TO GET TOGETHER AND UNITE IN CELEBRATING A BIT OF PRECIOUS DOWN TIME AND RELAXATION.

2025 WAS A PRETTY MOMENTOUS YEAR FOR US I HAVE TO ADMIT, ONE THAT STRETCHED US PRETTY THIN IN MANY WAYS.

AS I LOOK BACK ON IT I CAN CATEGORICALLY STATE THAT THE CHANGES WE'VE EXPERIENCED AT DEALER LEVEL AND AT CHAPTER LEVEL HAVE BEEN UNPRECEDENTED. IT'S BEEN A PROVERBIAL MERRY GO ROUND FOR PRETTY WELL EVERYONE INVOLVED WITH HARLEY-DAVIDSON IN SOME WAY OR ANOTHER BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? SOMEHOW, I FEEL THE H-D FAMILY MORE; I FEEL ALL THIS UPHEAVAL HAS ACTUALLY BROUGHT THE GOOD STUFF ABOUT HARLEY AND HOG MUCH CLOSER IN AND HAS MEANT MORE, MORE THAN ANY OTHER YEAR - STRANGE PERHAPS BUT MAYBE NOT SO. THANK YOU CVHOG MEMBERS, FOR PLAYING YOUR PART IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN AND FOR STAYING WITH US AS WE NAVIGATE THROUGH SOME CHOPPY WATERS.

THROUGH ALL THIS CHANGE, THE COMMUNITY AND SPIRIT OF HOG REMAINS STRONG IF NOT STRONGER AND AS WE KICK THE ASS OUT OF 25 I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF WISHING YOU ALL THE VERY BEST FOR 2026 AND SEEING AS MANY OF YOU AS POSSIBLE IN JANUARY. WE'VE GOT A PRETTY FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS LINED UP DURING THE YEAR AND MORE IN THE PLANNING STAGE SO LOTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO - OH AND I SAW SOME TASTY NEW MY26 BIKES AT MILWAUKEE IN OCTOBER, - BUT I'M NOT ALLOWED TO TALK ABOUT THOSE ...



DON RUTHERFORD
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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BIG BREAKFASTS

DECEMBER

DECEMBER'S BREAKFAST
TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY
14TH DECEMBER @ THE
TOBY CARVERY,
STRATHCLYDE PARK.
FANTASTIC TURN OUT
AGAIN.



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GET INVOLVED

REMEMBER THIS GUY!!!!



Pretty please, with a cherry on top could you remember to submit your end of year mileage to our very own Gilly - Mileage Rep through email on mileage@clydevalleyhog.com before 31st December 2025.

Every single mile counts and the chapter participation is of the upmost importance also.



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LOH XMAS LUNCH

IT WAS CLYDE VALLEYS TURN TO HOST THE LOH XMAS LUNCH THIS YEAR, JANICE AND KAREN DID A FANTASTIC JOB FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD! THE LADIES FROM CLYDE VALLEY WERE JOINED BY LOH MEMBERS FROM THE DUNEDIN AND GEORDIE CHAPTERS. THE LADIES ATTENDED THE AVANT GARDE MUSIC BAR AND RESTAURANT BASED IN KING STREET, GLASGOW. IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN IF ANY OF THEM WILL BE ALLOWED BACK ON THE PREMISES... ONLY KIDDING I'M SURE THEY WERE ALL WELL BEHAVED.



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BON ACCORD NIGHT

The end of season drinks were held at the Bon Accord on the 6th of December. It was an early kick off starting from 2pm, but as usual there was a fairly decent turnout throughout the day.

Unfortunatley this will be CVH's last year at this venue as they are sadly closing down. Don't worry though the guys from the Bon Accord are moving into new premises in Glasgow's City Centre come the New Year.



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WCHD CHRISTMAS CRACKER

West Coast Harley Davidson hosted their Annual Christmas Cracker on Saturday 14th December. They had Santa pop by for an hour to entertain the kids and give them a little christmas treat. The adults were lucky enough to have been entertained by the amazing Starlight Studio Rock Choir.

West Coast Harley Davidson also managed to get every gift ticket fulfilled from the Gifting Tree for local charity Renfrewshire Toy Bank, so well done to all that got involved and donated.



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THE GATHERING 2026



How about that special Christmas gift to a fellow HOG member to Scotland's ONLY HOG rally in 2026, The Gathering. We still have tickets available but they are selling fast.

Tickets can be purchased from
www.buytickets.at/clydevalley/1850528

or Scan the QR Code below.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 1st January 2026

Clyde Valley Membership Opens

Thursday 8th January 2026

1st Committee Meeting for 2026

(If you have anything you want discussed or asked please drop an email to assistant.director@clydevalleyhog.com)

Sunday 11th January 2026

Breakfast 10am - Highland Gate, Stirling

