



Smiles for your Miles

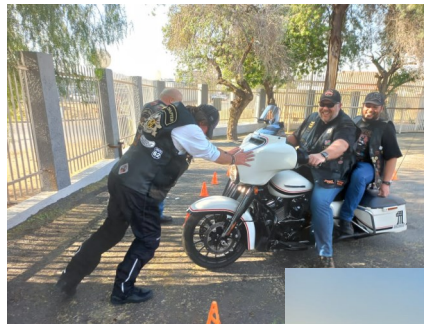
SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Hardly Dangerous Games**
- **10th Anniversary Celebration**
- **Southern Cross Endurance Ride**
- **Bike Week**
- **2nd Annual Motorcycle Show**
- **Bubbling Under**



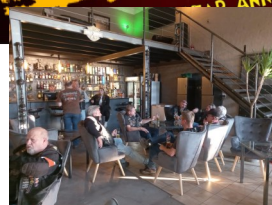
Hardly Dangerous Games

The heat was on—the Harley Games were set on Saturday, July 22, 2023 and the sought-after trophy was up for taking. The turn-out was encouraging and seven teams participated. Congratulations to Vincent and Caroline who are the new title holders. Well done.



10th Anniversary Celebration

If the 10th Anniversary of the HOG Namibia Chapter is to remain a fond memory, it is because of the Pizzas at Steam Punk Lounge.



Southern Cross Endurance Ride

The Southern Cross Endurance Ride is a challenge to support the Southern Cross Fund—a fund established to support riders who, after an accident do not have sufficient funds for medical expenses, recovery or rehabilitation.

The adventure itself, i.e. 2030 km in maximum timespan of 33 hours, is of course the attraction for the riders. The route is in the shape of a cross :

Windhoek to Mariental and back

Windhoek to Gobabis and back

Windhoek to Otjiwarongo and back

Windhoek to Karibib and back

Windhoek to Dordabis and back

The distance can be completed in three categories, i.e.

Between 24 and 27 hours—Gold

Between 27 and 30 hours—Silver

Between 30 and 33 hours—Bronze

It is an endurance ride, and not a race, testing man/woman and machine, both physically and mentally.

We accept that this is not everybody's cup of tea and everyone can donate toward the Fund, or sponsor one of the riders per kilometer—because the Fund is For Bikers—By Bikers.

We know that the riders undertaking the ride need support—even if it is just a friendly smile and an offer to rub sore shoulders. To this end, the HOG Namibia Chapter hub will be at the Shell Service Station in the Lafrenz

Centre, where you are cordially invited to drop in, or stay as long as you want. We will have a 24 hour vigil there in support of the riders and a call centre if support is needed along the routes.

We want to extend our sincere appreciation to Shell Energy who have come on board and are supporting this endurance ride by providing logistical support, supporting the riders as and when they enter the Shell service stations en-route, and may even sponsor some of the fuel consumption of the riders.

Good Luck and ride safe .



Bike

The Southern Cross Endurance Ride will close off with a Recognition Ceremony, where participants and donors, and sponsors are being given the deserved recognition. This takes place on Sunday, August 27, 2023 at The Handle Bar, starting at 11:00 with live music, cold beers and good food. Be there to support and applaud the riders as and when they come in from their ride.

Week. Seven days of activities where like-minded people and those with the passion of

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BIKE WEEK

The Handle Bar

2023

SCHEDULE

26/8 SOUTHERN CROSS RIDE - Dep - (SATURDAY)
 27/8 SOUTHERN CROSS RIDE - Arr - (SUNDAY)
 28/8 GAMES NIGHT (MONDAY)
 29/8 TREASURE HUNT (TUESDAY)
 30/8 LADIES NIGHT (WEDNESDAY)
 31/8 POKER RUN (THURSDAY)
 1/9 ROCK NIGHT BIKE BURN (FRIDAY)
 2/9 MOTORCYCLE SHOW (SATURDAY)

BIKE BURN

MOTORCYCLE SHOW

We are supporting the Ruach Elohim Foundation with Baby products. * Drop your donation during the month of August and earn free entry to Motorcycle Show on Saturday.

WHAT TO EXPECT

BIKE WEEK: Dealership Stalls, Biker Gear, Biker Games, Dyna Machine, Concourse, Tattoos, Piercings, Barber Shop, Custom Knives, Ladies Tupperware :) Jewelry, Photo Booth, Karaoke, Belly Dancing, Fire Spinning, Jumping Castles, Face Painting, Lawn Games, Food Specials, Drink Specials, Cocktail bar.

BANDS: Die Broers, Johnny Louw Band, As Night Fades

DESTINATION: THE HANDLE BAR, SEAN McBRIDE ST, OLYMPIA WINDHOEK

FULL EVENT SCHEDULE: WWW.THEHANDLEBAR.COM.NA OR VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

Week

motorcycles, come together.

The HOG Namibia Chapter is also hosting the Poker Run on the Thursday, August 31, 2023. Ear-mark the dates, in particular :

- Sunday August 27, as from 11:00 at The Handle Bar
- Thursday August 31 as from 17:30 at The Handle Bar
- September 2 as from 11:00 at The Handle Bar

SEE YOU THERE

2nd Annual Motorcycle Show

The Annual Motorcycle Show hardly needs further deliberation, following the success of last years' show. **The Motorcycle Show** wraps up the **Bike Week** and will take place at **The Handle Bar**, with gates opening at 10:00. As an entrance levy, we will once again call on visitors to donate anything baby-related in support of our charity of choice—Ruach Elohim. The show promises to be bigger this year with many more vendors, and activities, including once again, a live band, cold drinks, good food and excellent camaraderie amongst bikers and family. **Come join us!!**

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MOTORCYCLE SHOW

VENUE
HANDLE BAR
(SAM COHEN FISTBALL CLUB)

DATE & TIME
2ND SEPTEMBER 2023



Newsletter for HOG Namibia Chapter

If you wish to contribute personal stories or anecdotes to the Smiles for your Miles Newsletter send your article to holger.sircoulomb@gmail.com (and you might be published)

Correspondence to the Primary- or Secondary Officers should please be addressed to the Secretary, Bertie Gagliano, at b.gagliano@gmail.com.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Early notice is given that the 2023 Annual General Meeting, which takes place on November 4, 2023 in Swakopmund, is “Election Year”.

The Primary Officers, i.e. Director, Assistant directors, Treasurer, and Secretary need to be elected and appointed for a two-year period.

Start lobbying as nomination forms will be sent out with the official notice by mid-October 2023, latest

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Events bubbling under

Up next on the event calendar is the **One-Nighter to Maltahohe, under the theme of “Rome”.**

The One-Nighters have proved very popular in the past and you would not want to miss this one, seeing that it is the last one for this year.

Formal notice will follow shortly, but given past proceedings, we will leave Windhoek for Maltahohe on September 23, 2023, some time in the course of the morning.

You can undertake the trip by bike, car, pillion, or which ever means, but be there.

After some solid socializing, all return to Windhoek on Sunday, September 24, well in time to go back to work.



As mention above, ear-mark the date of November 4, 2023 for the AGM. It is election year and thereafter, we will have the traditional Poker Run, again playing the Dead Mans' Hand. Final arrangements to follow.

On November 11, 2023, The HOG Namibia Chapter has been invited to participate in the annual (and global) Poppy Run. It is a conglomeration of motorcycles that give homage to the veterans and in particular the fallen soldiers of the wars in the past, - WWI, WWII, and in our context, the border war. It boils down to a mass ride with all bikes to create awareness and not forgetting the past



Skeleton Coast Rally, 2024. If you by now have not heard it yet, earmark the date—April 25—27, 2024. The Rally Crew is busy organizing the details of the rally, but we can already share that :

- Meet and Greet at Joe's Beerhouse on April 24, 2024
- Rally to take place at the MTC Dome in Swakopmund
- Thunder Parade on Saturday April 27, 2024
- Registrations open on October 1, 2023