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### “Stagnant”

Welcome to the final days of summer or as I like to call it... the summer that never was. It has been an unusual time in our history where the world seemed to stop turning, the crowds dwindled, sounds faded, and experiences became limited. As the world shut down around us due to a pandemic the only thing that seemed to keep moving was our minds. The rest of the world seemed to become “stagnant” for what seemed to be an eternity. The word “stagnant” according to [dictionary.com](http://dictionary.com) means to no longer flow or run, characterized by a lack of development, advancement or progression to become inactive, sluggish or dull. Not sure I could or would even attempt to describe it much better myself. Definitely NOT the world that thrill seekers, bikers or travelers tend to call home. The world truly stopped turning and we have all been forced to become “stagnant” to a degree regardless if we wanted to or not.

As I mentioned earlier it appears everything aside from the thoughts in our minds had ground to a stop. However, if we really think about it maybe it's exactly what we all needed. A chance to slow down and refocus on what is important. An opportunity for us to realize just how quickly we could be stripped of the freedoms that we all hold so dear. To witness how fragile the system & people that protect & serve us can be as they turned from hero to perceived enemy in a blink of an eye. We learned what little control we have on the world around us. We moved from free-wheeling, free-spirited, freedom seeking people rolling down life's open roads to a population of homebound, safety seeking “stagnant” humans just waiting for the storm to pass, the sun to come out and life to return to normal.

News flash, the old normal is not coming back and maybe that's ok. Not that I didn't love what the old normal was because if you know me at all then you would know my old normal was pretty damn sweet! However, my new normal will be even better because here is what I have taken away from becoming “stagnant” over the summer that never was. I never want to forget the feeling of not being able to see family & friends or the impact of a hug or embrace as my visits now focus on quality not quantity. Having the ability to leave my home as I please reminds me just how incredible it is to have a home to return to when the day is done. Having the freedom to go in and out of stores, bars, restaurants while mingling, hugging and actually seeing people's faces is something I will always appreciate from this day forth. Being able to recognize, honor and support those that protect and serve our communities selflessly and without hesitation will never go unnoticed or assumed by me again. I have learned just how important it is to tell a Veteran thank you for your service. Acknowledging a Police Officer for their willingness to protect and serve the community. Supporting teachers, nurses, healthcare workers and so many others for their tireless efforts to make my community and the world in which I live a better place. My new normal is one truly rooted in appreciation, kindness and gratitude for all the wonderful things the world has to offer and all the amazing people I meet along the way.

PACKERLAND HOG CHAPTER

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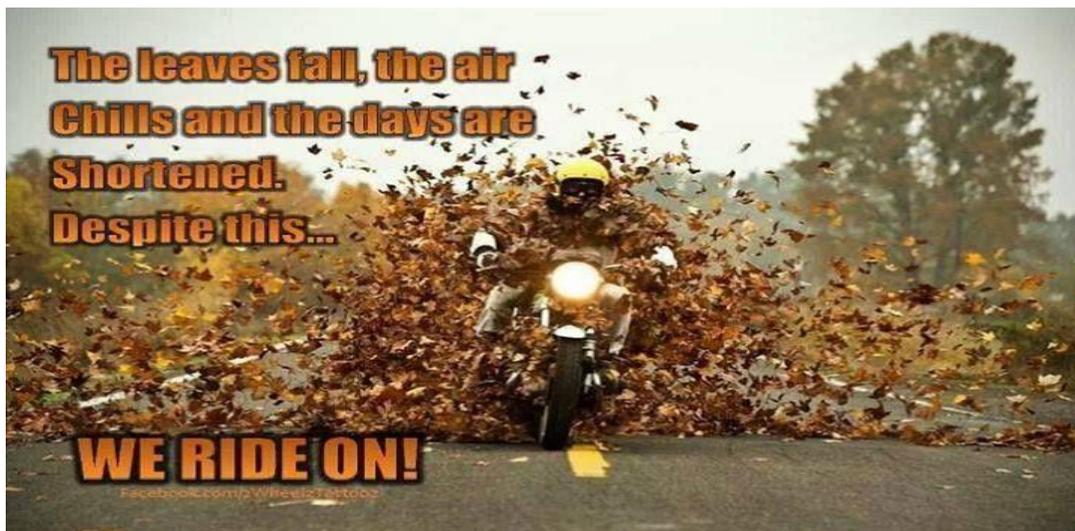
## Greg Roberts Stagnant cont.....

This crazy pandemic may have forced us to become "stagnant" for a brief period of time but as long as our minds keep turning and we keep learning nothing will ever stop us from progressing, advancing, being active and developing ways of overcoming the sluggish and dull lifestyle that comes from being "stagnant." It goes against every ounce of our DNA as motorcycle enthusiasts, as brothers and sisters, as free-wheeling, adventure lovers, freedom seekers and Packerland HOG Members. We are not meant to be "stagnant" which was evident through the incredible turnout at the Cruise for Cancer with all the fearless warriors honored battling cancer, led by heroes of the local Police, Fire and Rescue. Everyone helping raise awareness through the entire community showing no matter how "stagnant" the rest of the world becomes we will not idly sit by and watch while others are in need, when roads are left to be ridden, and lives are left to be lived. We will continue to appreciate our freedoms and share in the joys we have been given with our brothers and sisters who refuse to become "stagnant." Instead we choose to embrace the lifestyle of free-wheeling, free-spirited, freedom seeking people. Rolling down life's open roadways simply enjoying the freedoms bestowed upon us while attempting to live our best lives as a riding community and as Americans!

"Stagnant" has no place in our world. I'm praying that the storms in life pass quickly, allowing the sun to shine upon you while finding your individual peace and the ability to embrace what is now the new normal. God Bless!

Enjoy The Ride!

Greg Roberts aka-(Whisper)



## FALL RIDING MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Before a long winter, many motorcyclist enthusiasts are excited to break out their bikes and begin riding before adverse weather gets in the way. As more and more riders hit the road, it is important to gear up for everything the autumn riding season may present, both good and bad. Even the most experienced riders should properly prepare for fall riding as unique seasonal dangers come into fruition and threaten everyday rides.

This upcoming autumn, be prepared for the various hazards that may present themselves on your rides, whether you're riding the beautiful backroads in nature or splitting lanes in downtown traffic. By being aware of these five threats, you can help ensure you are riding well this fall and the rest of the year.

## Oil

The first rain after a dry period **can lift oil, dirt, and grime to the top of the pavement**, causing incredibly slick roads. Ride slower than normal to allow yourself for more reaction time and prevent an accident. Once there have been a few more rains to wash away the remaining oil, you should be ready to ride safely at your normal speed.

## Wildlife

Fall can mean major movement for wildlife in your area, including young critters unfamiliar with roads and motor vehicles. Keep a lookout for any animals that may cross the path while you ride, especially if riding in an area dense with foliage.

## Potholes

A threat to car drivers and motorcycle drivers alike, potholes are dangerous and should not be taken lightly. Potholes on the road can be covered by fallen leaves in autumn and present unseen danger.

Hitting a pothole could cause you to lose control of your bike, but swerving too abruptly or halting altogether could be just as damaging. The best thing to do is to avoid the pothole if possible, otherwise slow down when your bike is approaching.

## Temperature

It may feel like fall is in the air, which means fall has most likely hit the road as well, meaning asphalt may start to drop in temperature. Cold roads mean less traction for tires, so ride slower than usual to account for the lack of tire grip. Also be sure to **wear appropriate clothing** while riding as temperatures may fluctuate all day, from rain or shine to windy or chilly.

## Other Riders

Fall is one of the most **popular seasons for motorcyclists**. Many fellow riders will hit the road, which, unfortunately, causes an increase of the chance of a potential motorcycle accident. Stay alert of other riders and always keep your eyes on the road.

Being aware of these five fall dangers can help prevent a moderate or severe motorcycle accident before it happens. By staying alert, **driving slower than usual**, and prepping yourself, you can enjoy autumn riding safely.

## PRESS RELEASE FROM THE JERRY PARINS CHECK PRESENTATION

**The Jerry Parins “Cruise for Cancer” check presentation to ten different cancer organizations.** HSHS St. Vincent/St. Mary’s Foundation, Bellin Health Foundation, Unity Hospice, HSHS St. Vincent’s Child Life, Colton’s Cure, Angel Classic, Ovarian Cancer Community Outreach, Ribbon of Hope Foundation, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and Families of Children with Cancer, Inc. **Checks in the amount of \$152,500 will be distributed.** The money was raised at last year’s ride, other events held throughout 2019, and individual donations. We have now reached the milestone of over \$2 million raised and donated to local cancer organizations.

This year’s motorcycle ride will take place on Sunday, August 23rd and will mark the 17<sup>th</sup> year of the Jerry Parins Cruise for Cancer Ride. This year we will be escorted by the Green Bay Police Department on a parade through the city of Green Bay and Allouez. The bikes will be adorned with American flags and we will be contacting businesses along the route to come outside and watch the parade of motorcycles. Each year we honor families that are in their cancer journey. We will again have several families of individuals that are in their battle with cancer being honored and participating in the event.

**Jerry Parins** Former Green Bay Police Officer and Green Bay Packer Director of Packer Security organized the ride with Vandervest Harley-Davidson, the Packerland Harley Owners Group and staff from the Green Bay Packers to raise money for families with cancer. (Erik Vandervest, General Manager/Greg Roberts, Packerland HOG Chapter Director)



## Jack Frost “Run for Fun” Saturday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> (Departs at 11 a.m.)

The date is set! Our Annual Jack Frost ride will be held on Saturday, Oct. 31 (Halloween!) This ride is put together each year to show “Thanks” to you for supporting the dealership throughout the summer. There is no charge to attend the ride. A waiver must be signed before departing. Waivers will be available in the store all morning or in the Duck Blind after 10 am.

We will have a 50/50 raffle before the ride departs, with the whole pot being split among the riders and we will serve FREE hot dogs.

After two short bar stops, the ride will return to the dealership at approximately 2:30 p.m. for Lynn’s FREE chili to warm you up! Yep that’s right, you must finish the ride for the chili.

Remember, its Halloween so dress up and share some laughter. Rain, sleet or snow—we gotta go.



Join us for our last group ride of 2020!

**VANDERVEST**  
Harley-Davidson  
of Green Bay

**Jack Frost 2020**  
**HALLOWEEN**  
Run For Fun

Saturday  
**Oct 31<sup>st</sup>**

REGISTRATION  
9-11am  
Complimentary  
Hot Dogs Served

**OPEN TO ALL RIDERS**      **Costumes are encouraged!**

The poster features a central illustration of a person dressed as Jack Frost, riding a motorcycle through a blue, icy, and watery environment. The rider is wearing a blue mask and a black jacket with a yellow circular emblem. The motorcycle is splashing through water, creating a dynamic, energetic scene. The background is a dark blue gradient with light rays emanating from behind the rider.

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## Historian, Pearl Christophersen

PRESS RELEASE  
Vandervest Harley-Davidson  
1966 Velp Ave, Green Bay, WI 54303

### Jerry Parin's Cruise For Cancer Honors Lee Christopherson

Lee Christopherson, Oconto was honored at the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Jerry Parins "Cruise for Cancer" event held at Vandervest Harley-Davidson. This year the ride was named, "The Essential Ride". First Responders, police officers and firemen were honored. Even though Lee does not have cancer, Jerry Parins, the Vandervest Family and the Packerland HOG Chapter wanted to honor Lee. He is a retired police officer, a previous Wild Fire HOG Chapter member and presently a member of the Packerland HOG Chapter. Both Lee and his wife Pearl have supported the ride for 17 years. Pearl, raised over \$1000 for the ride this year collecting pledges. All money raised goes to local hospitals and 501C local cancer organizations to help families with cancer.

Article submitted by Lynn Vandervest



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Hello Packerland HOG Chapter Members:

Our meeting in September will be on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at the Drift Inn for Chili and Burgers. (Dealership is now closed on Mondays) We can discuss the Cruise for Cancer ride and just meet socially. It's been a while.

Being that Halloween is on a Saturday this year, we chose Sat., Oct. 31 for our Jack Frost Ride. Poster attached. A little different twist this year. We will serve hot dogs before the ride departs and riders need to finish the ride back to the Duck Blind for the FREE chili. We will be back for 2:30 p.m. so riders can still get home before dark if they want.

Also, if we have all HOGOPOLY books turned in by this date, we will pull for the gift certificates on Oct. 31. (You can turn books in anytime to the reception desk at the dealership before Oct. 31) If we don't get all the books turned in by that date, we will then pull names and call winners on Nov. 7 as previously advertised. Remember, books with all stamps have a chance to win a \$150 gas card in a separate drawing—still a lot of time to get stamped from the bars that sponsor the ride.

November/December Meeting: Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. Duck Blind for the game which is at 3:25 p.m. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. We will give out Officer Awards before the game. We will grill out brats/burgers with all the fixings. Chapter will sponsor the food but drinks will be on your own. Please let Lynn know if you plan on coming by Nov. 28th so we have a food count and are prepared. [lynn@vvhd.com](mailto:lynn@vvhd.com)

We have a lot to be proud of as a Chapter. This year's Jerry Parin's "Cruise for Cancer" was a huge success and such a special year. Honoring police/firefighters/first responders besides our cancer families was so special. And the parade through Green Bay was very memorable. I think I cried the first half of the ride, but it really hit me when I saw my sister who lost her husband of cancer, standing at her husband's grave site in Allouez next to Sandy Parin's grave as we passed the cemetery. The police that came up with the route this year, specially drove us past the cemetery where Sandy was for Jerry. There is so much behind the scene planning sometimes it is not shared enough.

We not only showed support for families dealing with cancer now but those that lost loved ones and to cancer survivors. We could not do it without all of our Chapter volunteers! It really is "The Essential Ride".

Lynn Vandervest  
Vandervest Harley-Davidson



# Membership

## Accepting New & Renewal Memberships for 2020.

**Chapter membership runs January to December each year.  
Dues remain at \$10.00.**

Here is the link to check the status of your HOG membership:

<https://members.hog.com> or call 1-800-CLUBHOG (1-800-258-2464).

\*\* Note: I had to use Google Chrome as my internet browser to access the site.

### Wish You Were Here Drawing: No Meeting in August.

To win the pot, you must sign in at the meeting and also enter the drawing by paying \$1.00. If there is no winner, the monies carry forward to the next meeting.

### *Happy Anniversary Wishes For Sept:*

Jim & Jeanne Junion	Sep 10
Robert & Kristen Forstrom	Sep 11
Steve & Annette Schreiber	Sep 14
David & Penny Duggan	Sep 19
Matthew & Hallie Dicks	Sep 22
David & Lori Blackman	Sep 25
Tim & Donna Van Den Eng	Sep 27

### *Happy Birthday Wishes For Sept:*

Robert Thomson	Sep 02
Tina Whetung	Sep 15
Jerry Beiersdorf	Sep 18
Matthew Dicks	Sep 19
Terri Tilkens	Sep 21
Lee Grabowsky	Sep 23
Randy Anderson	Sep 25
Teri Jaeger	Sep 25
James Stallard	Sep 25
Bonnie Limberg	Sep 28

If I missed your special day, email the Month and Day of your Birthday and/or Anniversary.

If your address, phone # or email address changes, email me the changes and effective date.

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Membership Officer





Beth Vandermeulen won the Early Bird drawing for the Jerry Parins Cruise for Cancer Ride. She is a chapter member. Rick Vandervest framed the Harley tin with barn boards.



**108 YEAR PHOTO REENACTMENT**  
**September 25, 2020**  
**Kick Stands Up 9:30 AM**  
**Vandervest Harley-Davidson Dealership**

John Henes Park will be the setting and destination for a historic 1913 Photo Reenactment Ride that departs Vandervest Harley-Davidson-Green Bay, WI on Friday September 25th at 9:30 AM. The group will navigate a scenic route to John Henes Park, Menominee, MI and find the exact same spot to duplicate a photo of Harley-Davidson Motorcycles taken in June of 1913. Beautiful fall colors will be the perfect backdrop to the setting along the waters of Green Bay. For the photo, bikers will line up across the road in a similar manner to what was done 108 years ago. After the photo we will stop at Mickey-Lu Bar-B-Q in Marinette, WI.

Ride Organizer: Penny Duggan. 920-434-2326 duggpen@aol.com  
 Road Captain: Lee Grabowsky  
 Chapter Historian: Pearl Christopherson

**1913 Photo**

The 3rd man from the left (1913 Photo) is Penny Duggan's Great Uncle George O. Jones (1891-1943) from Menominee, MI. George O. Jones, a World War I "Front Line(s)" motorcycle messenger, received a Purple Heart and an Honorable Discharge for injuries sustained when hit by hand grenade shrapnel during one of his delivery missions (1917-1918). George Jone's Purple Heart will be on the ride.

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Price does not include tax or shop supplies. Trikes and sidecars \$999.99

**VIP Storage Includes:** (FREE w/qualifying service order of \$599.99 or more)

- Multi-point inspection by H-D authorized technician
- Live enzyme pre-storage fuel system treatment
- Charge & test battery w/periodic trickle charge while stored
- Courtesy bike wash (Not a complete detail cleaning)
- Heated & security monitored storage
- Final release inspection prior to pickup
- \*10% discount w/Rider Rewards Pts on H-D® parts/accessories
- \*Some stipulations apply

**Basic Storage Includes:** (\$295.00\* / Due at drop off)

- Multi-point inspection by H-D authorized technician
- Live enzyme pre-storage fuel system treatment
- Charge & test battery w/periodic trickle charge while stored
- Courtesy bike wash (Not a complete detail cleaning)
- Heated & security monitored storage
- Final release inspection prior to pickup
- \*add \$200.00 for trikes

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New Fall Arrival!

Check out the video on our Facebook page that Carrie posted that gives a closer look at some of the items. More new arrivals arriving daily! If we sell out of a limited-edition item, remember we have another dealership that we can get it from for you if still available.

Keep an eye on our Facebook as Carrie posts some of the new arrivals as they show up in the dealership!

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Happy Anniversary Vandervest Harley-Davidson- Green Bay. It sure is an awesome ride. Thank you family, staff, Packerland HOG Chapter and all our loyal customers. Here's to many more years as we throttle ahead to the future.

