



HARDLY NEWS

Bridgwater HOG

**Cider Rally 2026
Edition**



Every month, Bridgwater Chapter committee meets to discuss how to improve the Chapter.

The committee serves the membership so if you have ideas for an event, activity, ride or simply a way to attract new members, then we want your input.

So, what else should we be considering? If you have concerns or complaints please contact a committee member directly, it will be addressed.

**Let's keep this as a forum for positive suggestions please.
Bridgwater Chapter Committee**

Moggy's Bits

Well What a fantastic Cider Rally! We've had so many positive comments, some are in this mag, and it's brilliant to see all our hard work pay off. The stress and sleepless nights melt away when you know people enjoyed what we put together. I'm so proud of this amazing Chapter and to help put on a rally others can enjoy.

The weather was kinder than expected, apart from the freezing ride back from Lyme Regis! Took me an hour to thaw out... good old English weather. As you know, it was a sell-out this year, and with so many saying they're coming back in 2027, we're hopeful for another full house. Hopefully you've already grabbed your tickets.

Bookings update: Gina now has help from her son Jimmy, aka "Mummy's little helper." He'll handle room requests (wants and no-wants). Email him at ciderrallyqueries@bridgwaterhog.co.uk with your name and the room number you're after or definitely don't want!

A massive thank you to the Committee, Road Crew, and everyone who helped put up, pack up, and everything in between - you've been amazing. We couldn't do it without you. So here's to the 2027 Rally - let's make it another great success.



Roy Stevenson

Great rally, Wonderful ride outs and brilliant bands (O and the DJ was ok!!) Many thanks from the Stoke Chapter

39m Like Reply

Dave Hanna

Thank you from a slightly less attended Invicta Chapter this year. As always you and the Bridgwater Chapter team pulled out all the stops to give us the most tremendous rally. Thank you from Dave and Jane.

47m Like Reply

Deborah Laurence

Well done Gill and all your team you guys nailed it.... 1066 will be back in droves

Jim Garrett

An absolutely brilliant weekend all of the Rutland newbies had a fantastic time see you next year

14m Like Reply

Sue Barnard

Fantastic rally, you looked after us all well Moggy. The bands were amazing especially Big Mac's Wholly soul band 🙌🙌

14m Like Reply

Nick Woolger

Missed it this year sadly, been going since the st audries bay years. Always a great weekend

Steve Webb

Wow, what a way to pop our HOG rally virginity, what a weekend with good food, great entertainment, well marshaled rides and delicious pints of cider, see you next year with our uniforms. Moggy, please Thank your team for organising this event

Rick Harwood Top contributor

Fantastic weekend, thanks to everyone from Bridgwater Chapter. 🙌🙌

56m Like Reply

Tony Auger

Thanks Gill for a fantastic weekend 😊 and also for the 2 T shirts on Sunday you promised.

57m Like Reply

Trish Gillespie

Home now after another fab weekend. Thanks to everyone who made it another huge success. 2 fab ride outs too 🙌 enjoy your nap **Gill Mogg** you deserve it 🥰

Jane Hen

Thank you Moggy and team all at **Birmingham H.O.G UK** had an amazing time. We look forward to seeing you next year. Xx

20m Like Reply

John Robinson

You and your team was fantastic warm and so welcoming, my wife and I would like to thank every single one of you for an amazing weekend.. it was very well organised and thought out. Thanks to all the staff especially at the bar they did amazing job..thanks Moggy

Louie Phoenix

Thank you Moggy and all her fantastic team of helpers who made this a fantastic weekend for everyone. Off you Moggy enjoy you well deserved hibernation and we are looking forward to Cider Rally 👍

What can I say, our very first rally weekend, it was absolutely amazing 🤩. We cannot thank you enough for all your hard work in organising this event
We both look forward to next year
Annie & Nick xx
Sorry 😞 just a few 😊

Angela Baron

👑 All-star contributor

Fabulous weekend and thanks to all the staff who kept us fed and watered 🤩🤩

1h Like Reply

Kerri Fielding

Thank you and your fantastic team for an amazing fun weekend. The weather was good to us , entertainment was rocking and fun and laughter was had by all. Roll on 2027.

2m Like Reply

Richard Lucking

Thank you Moggy and Team Bridgwater - PCUK had our usual great time! 🌞🕶️🏍️🎵🍺🤝 x

51m Like Reply

Moggy's Bits Cont...

We would like to welcome Chris Fordy, who has become our new Mileage Officer. From now on, please send all your mileage information over to him. We are just waiting for his email address and, as soon as we have it, we will post it on the Facebook page. We would also like to say thank you to Chris (CJ) Earley, who also put himself forward for the role.



Hopefully the weather will improve soon (**editor update** - it has!!) and we can all get out on more rides. The rides are all in the calendar, so let's try and get as many members as possible out supporting them. The Road Crew put a lot of work into making sure these rides happen, so let's all support our Chapter rides. I know I haven't been on many myself this year, but with work and family holidays/events it's been a bit of a write-off so far...but I'll be back out soon!



Don't forget to send any articles into Jo if you have anything you think members would be interested in, such as biker cafés, hotels, overnight stays, or even just a bit about yourself - especially newer members. Tell us what bikes you've had, how you got into Harleys, and anything else interesting. All articles need to be with Jo by the 20th of each month.

Moggy's Bits Cont...

By the time you receive this magazine, you might be able to book the Masquerade Ball, which is being held at the Cadbury DoubleTree Hilton Hotel in Congresbury. We had a really great time in 2025, and it was lovely to see everyone dressed up smart for a change! But don't worry you don't have to go the whole hog (pardon the pun!); just wear whatever you feel comfortable in. There will be a code to use when booking the hotel so you can get a discounted room rate. Tickets will be £40 for all Bridgwater members. There will be a form to complete with contact details, dietary requirements, etc., so watch this space, more details coming very soon.

A load of us are heading to the Great Western Rally in Bristol from 12th–14th June. This is a camping rally, but there are plenty of hotels not far from the venue. Just go onto Great Western H.O.G. and look for the Rumble Rally if you fancy coming along, or contact me and I'll talk you through it.

Our next meeting is the Quarterly one on 27th June at Admirals Landing, so no meeting on the first Wednesday of next month, but would you like to just have a social night on 10th June instead? Maybe meet somewhere or head to a bike night? Keep an eye on the Facebook page and we'll try and arrange something.

So I think that's it for now. Hopefully I'll see you all after my holiday, as me and Bazzar are now in Tunisia!

**Lots of love,
Moggy**



Editor's Corner

What glorious weather we've been having! I hope you've all managed to get out on your bikes and make the most of it while it lasts. It looks like things may take a turn come Sunday, but let's keep everything crossed that summer makes a swift comeback.

It was fantastic to hear that the printed Spring magazine went down so well, especially the pull-out planner. Thank you to everyone who shared such kind and constructive feedback. I'll definitely be looking to repeat that success for you next year!



The Wednesday crew have certainly been keeping busy with their wandering adventures, and April's meet-up was a real highlight. We welcomed Dawn from Charlie's Memory, who spoke passionately about the incredible work the charity does - one we are proud to support this year. Martin won the cash box on the night and very generously donated his winnings straight back to the charity.

It was also followed by an exceptionally busy riding weekend. Chris led a fantastic ride to meet with Thames Valley Chapter, taking the group down to Durdle Door, with a well-earned pub stop along the way.



Editor's Corner Cont...

At the same time, a smaller group took part in the 'Standing with Giants' escort, travelling from the stunning Waddesdon Manor to Fort Nelson - an impressive 350 mile-round trip.



To round off the weekend, we headed cross-country on Sunday to Middlewick Farm Shop and Café, led by the unforgettable trio: the Trolley Dolly, Beautician and Farmer!.



Later in April, we had the pleasure of escorting the new Mr and Mrs Chapman from their wedding at Banwell Court to their reception at

Court Farm. It was a beautiful day, and we send Jimmy and Amanda our warmest congratulations and every happiness for the future.

And what came next...? Only the first, and arguably best, **SOLD OUT** rally of the season! The Cider Rally was a tremendous success, as Moggy has already highlighted. The feedback has been fantastic, and you'll find plenty of great photos towards the back of the magazine. If you haven't secured your priority tickets for next year yet, the theme is **Dress for Duty (Uniforms)** - so don't hang about! Last chance to buy tickets <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GJGH> before they go on general sale Monday 1st June.

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Editor's Corner Cont...

Guess what else happened in April...? Quite a big event indeed! Our very own fantastic and illustrious leader, Moggy, celebrated a milestone birthday! What a month to be alive! It wouldn't be right to let such an occasion pass without a proper mention, as anyone who knows Moggy will agree she is at the heart of so much that makes our group what it is. Her commitment to making our Chapter the best it can be, along with her ability to bring people together with her vibrant energy, never goes unnoticed. We hope the celebrations were as memorable as they were well-deserved. Huge congratulations, Moggy - here's to many more miles, memories, and milestones ahead! 🎉



In case you missed Gill's message on Facebook: I've just finished reading my 60th birthday message book from my Harley family, and wow...it was such an emotional read. All your kind words truly mean the world to me. I feel incredibly lucky to know so many amazing people - and all because we share a love of Harleys.

Thank you all so much xx

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Editor's Corner Cont...

Phew...that was April - now onto May!

More Wednesday Wandering took place, alongside a bike night at the Friendly Spirit and followed later in the month, at Riders. Lisa and Jayne treated us to another of their magical countryside tours, this time out to Horner Tea Gardens...the views were absolutely stunning.

We also came together to celebrate the beautiful soul, Lady Sara, on her heavenly birthday with a ride, led by Rob, to Portland Bill. While a few extra degrees of warmth wouldn't have gone amiss, the wind at least kept the rain away...on the way there anyway!

Chris then rounded off the month with a ride to Dawlish Warren, bringing a brilliant May of riding to a close.



We're nearly halfway through the year already - check Facebook and the events poster for another jam-packed month of June. Remember, there's no first Wednesday meet-up on 3rd June as there's a quarterly meeting on the 27th instead, at The Admiral's Landing.

Ride safe

Jo x

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Welcome to the Chapter!

We're delighted to give a warm Harley-style welcome to our newest members, Jimmy Chapman and George Chapman - sons of our Treasurer Gina and her husband Nigel aka "Wing-Commander Bloke-Bloke"!

It's always fantastic to see the Chapter continue to grow, and even more special when it's family joining the fold. With the Chapmans now firmly part of the line-up, we're sure there will be plenty of great rides, shared laughs, and a whole lot of family fun ahead!

Whether it's getting stuck into rideouts, joining in at events, or simply enjoying the camaraderie that makes this Chapter what it is, we're so pleased to have you both with us.

As always, remember - you're never riding alone here. There's always someone ready to lend a hand, share advice, or just enjoy the journey alongside you.

Welcome to the Chapter, Jimmy and George - let the good times roll! 🏍️✨



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Head Road Captain's Memoires

The 2026 riding season has got off to a fantastic start, with plenty of miles covered, great company, and a few memorable moments along the way.

On 11th April, a small group of us met up with members of Thames Valley HOG, who were staying at Cricket St Thomas. From there, we headed out together for a ride to Durdle Door in Dorset. The sun was shining, although it was a little on the windy side. When we arrived, the conditions in the car park were somewhat... lively! Dust was being whipped up everywhere, covering both bikes and riders alike and turning us all a rather fetching shade of white. Needless to say, nobody was keen to hang around too long, so we made a swift retreat down the hill to a nearby pub where we had tables booked.

A cracking couple of hours followed, filled with good food, plenty of chat, and lots of laughs. The Thames Valley contingent kindly showed their appreciation for the route planning and ride leading by presenting me with a much-appreciated bottle of rum—an unexpected but very welcome gesture!



The following day, Lisa and Jayne took the reins, leading us across the Somerset Levels to Middlewick Farm Shop & Café in Glastonbury. Once again, we were joined by some of our Thames Valley friends, who thoroughly enjoyed both the local scenery and the warm welcome.

HRC's Memoires Cont...

With Lisa leading, myself as back marker, and Jayne sweeping, we made our way across the Levels for a relaxed lunch stop. However, the journey home brought a change in the weather, with hailstones and rain making an appearance - it was definitely on the chilly side! Thanks for arranging the hailstones, Lisa!



Saturday 25th saw a very special occasion, as we gathered for the wedding of Jimmy and Amanda. Meeting at Riders, we decorated our bikes with ribbons before heading off to Banwell Castle to escort the newlyweds from their ceremony to their reception at Court Farm. It was a brilliant day, and both Jimmy and Amanda looked fantastic. Huge congratulations once again to Mr and Mrs Chapman - we wish you every happiness for the future.

Sunday 26th was the rehearsal for the Cider Rally parade ride, setting the stage for the following weekend's main event - **THE CIDER RALLY**

This year, we tried something a little different, scheduling one large mass ride out on the Saturday to Lyme Regis. An incredible 130 bikes made the journey, and we somehow managed to park every single one on the world-famous Cobb. It truly was an amazing sight and a real highlight of the weekend.



HRC's Memoires Cont...



Sunday brought the Parade Ride to Burnham-on-Sea, with approximately 200 bikes taking part. The seafront was lined with spectators, all admiring the parked bikes and generously contributing to our charity fundraising efforts. It was a fantastic turnout and a brilliant atmosphere from start to finish.



Finally, a big thank you must go to all the Road Crew and marshals - you did a fantastic job throughout the entire weekend. Your efforts ensured everything ran smoothly and safely, and it certainly didn't go unnoticed.

Chris



Merchandiser's Message

What a truly fantastic weekend it was at the recent cider rally - an event filled with fun, laughter and a wonderful sense of community spirit.

With just five days to prepare a pop-up shop, expectations were modest. However, the result exceeded all hopes, proving to be a great success. Visitors were delighted, with many commenting on the excellent bargains available, making it a popular stop over the course of the weekend.



A heartfelt thank you goes to Patsy, Bernie and Martin for their invaluable support in bringing the shop together. Their efforts, along with contributions from everyone who supplied items, helped ensure that not only was the shop well received, but participants were also able to make a little extra income - an added bonus for all involved. There is already enthusiasm to build on this success next year, with plans to make it even bigger and better.



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Merch Message Cont...

The ladies' afternoon gathering was another highlight, described by many as a resounding success. It was an occasion filled with laughter, games and a strong sense of togetherness. Most importantly, the event raised nearly £500 for charity - a fantastic achievement that reflects the generosity and enthusiasm of everyone involved.



Sunday brought the much-anticipated Parade Ride, a standout moment of the weekend. Taking part in the parade alongside the town crier, Alister, has become a much-loved tradition, and this year marked the third time this special experience has taken place. It remains a privilege and a joy to be involved in such a memorable part of the event.



All in all, the weekend was a celebration of community, generosity and shared enjoyment.

There is already great excitement looking ahead to next year's rally and the opportunity to do it all again. Hope to see you all then!

Love Shirley xx

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And if there's any merchandise you'd love to see added to our range, just let Shirley know. She'll bring your suggestions to the committee and the wider group for discussion.

Get your shopping bags at the ready!

Email: Merchandiser@bridgwaterhog.co.uk



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7TH**

**12TH
- 14TH**

THE RUMBLE RALLY

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5TH RIDE

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DUNBALL MEETING PLACE @10AM

**SUN
14TH**

**THU
18TH**

PROM ESCORT RIDE

PAUL & SHIRLEY'S GRANDDAUGHTER

MEET AT RIDERS TO LEAVE @16:30

(MORE INFO ON FACEBOOK OR CONTACT PAUL)

EVENING RIDE

WITH MOGGY @18:00

A SURPRISE BIMBLE AND FOOD

MEETING PLACE TBC

**FRI
19TH**

**SUN
28TH**

CHRIS'S RIDE

PRINCETOWN, DARTMOOR

DUNBALL MEETING PLACE @10AM

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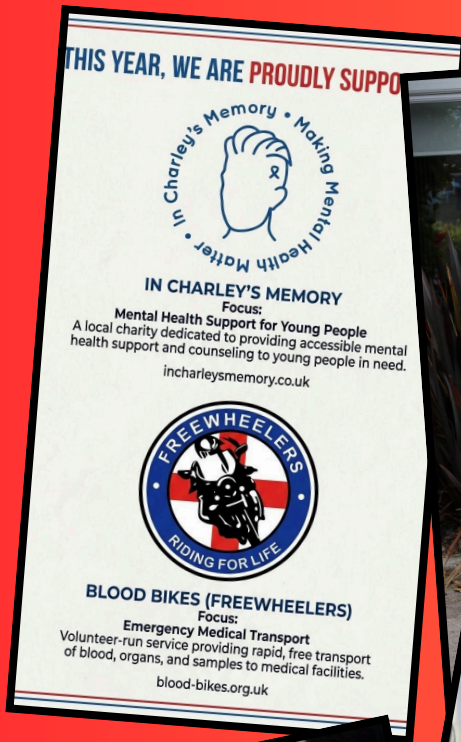
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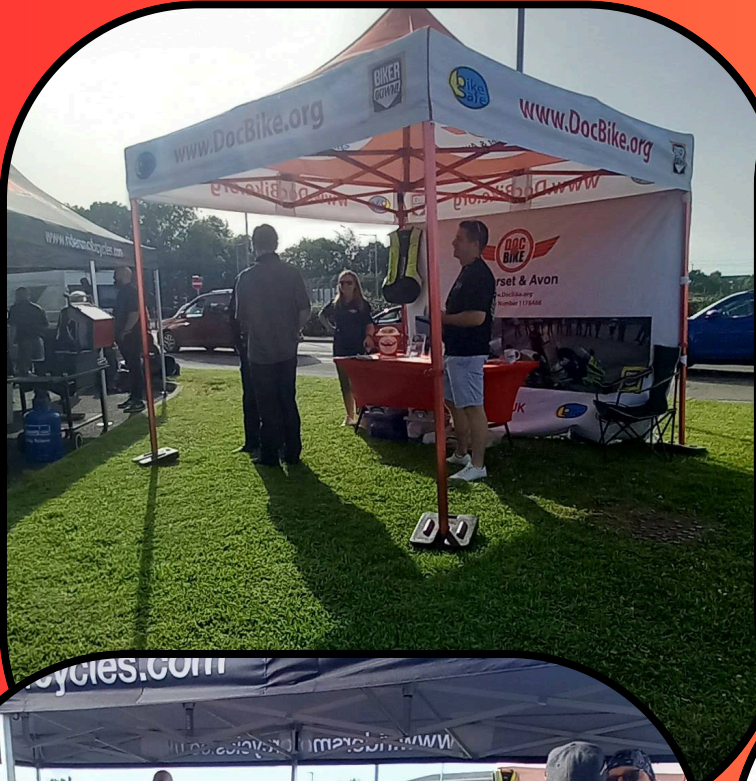


The Friendly Spirit Bike Night



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Riders Bike Night



Lady Sara's Memorial & Birthday Ride



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The Wednesday Wanderers

THE FORT CAFE



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CAFE 33



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The Wednesday Wanderers

THE OLD BREWERY



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THE RUMBLE

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WHERE

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BS31 2FW

WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY

Ride out - Meet 13:00 - 13:30 Depart
LOH Event 5PM

Evening Band - Lee Jay & the logic
Then Disco Till late with DAZ

Food served Outside till late

Meals inside Pavilion

Late Bar Snacks available

SATURDAY Theme Hero's & Villains

Head Road Captains Ride out

9:30am meet - 9:45am briefing - 10:00 Depart

Afternoon music with DAZ & Chapter Games

Food served Outside till late

Meals inside Pavilion

Late Bar Snacks available

Evening Band - Kyra Bernice

Disco Till late - With DAZ

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Tickets Available on website

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— CHAPTER —



MASQUERADE
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SAT 6TH FEB

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CONGRESBURY



— BOOKING —
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CIDER RALLY

— DRESS FOR DUTY —

(UNIFORMS)



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— RIDE • PARTY • SHOW & SHINE —

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