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We're the **Lone Star Voyagers Motorcycle Club**, a chartered club of the **American Voyager Association**, and are always looking for new members. The club was created focusing on Kawasaki Voyager owners but now has a great variety of motorcycles and welcomes all makes and models of bikes. Dues are only \$7.50 /year for one-up riding or \$15 /year for two and are due in January. For an application, if there's not one at the back of this newsletter, there's one on our web site at LoneStarVoyagers.org.

Our Secretary - Treasurer is Sandra Judge. Sandra's mailing address is 214490 E County Road 33, Mooreland, OK 73852-8959. Sandra can be reached by phone at, 580-273-1397. Please be sure that you make any checks as **payable to "Sandra Judge"** and **NOT** to **LSV** or **Lone Star Voyagers**.

We are a family-riding club with a widespread membership and activities scheduled nearly every month. We are also a fun club with no attendance or participation requirements. You are not required to be an AVA member. Normally we plan to host at least 2 camp-in weekends each year. We feature this bimonthly newsletter where members may submit articles, & our web site is LoneStarVoyagers.org.

If you are interested you can contact our President, [David Lawson](mailto:David.Lawson@att.net) in Marlin, TX (254-803-3511), Lawson-david@att.net or our Vice President, [Larry Lawson](mailto:Larry.Lawson@yahoo.com), in Paige, TX (512-253-6240) LLaw148@yahoo.com or our Sec/Treas [Sandra Judge](mailto:jjudge@cneconnect.com), jjudge@cneconnect.com (phone # above) in Mooreland, OK for more information. Hope you can join us.

From the Prez.

Presidents report:

At our business meeting Saturday night (at [Voyage Home](#)), there was a discussion on the LSVrs absorbing the EVA ([Enchanted Voyagers Assn - our New Mexico neighbors](#)). RR is/was the President of the EVA and was stepping down. No one had stepped up to be president. All members of the EVA had agreed that it would be in the best interest of all to join with the LSVrs. All members of the LSV present agreed to absorb the members of the EVA. RR agreed to remain the webmaster for the LSV. All moneys the EVA has in its accounts will be sent to Sandra Judge to be added to our downed rider fund.

Our Treasurer was not present at the meeting so no report was given. ([See next article](#))

A couple of these.

Again thank all who helped with the VH. It turned out to be a great time for all. A special thanks to Jenny & Paul. They did great job Friday night. Many, many thanks. Inspector, thank you for having the grill we needed. Thank you Ed for leading the other group. Thank you Viego & Jane for the water. It was really appreciated. Thanks to all who donated for breakfast and those who helped Sheila make & serve breakfast. Thanks DD for putting up with me. Ronnie thank you for helping us remember what is important..

Next,

Dues are around the corner. Just a reminder.

Last.

We have 3 "new" members. The Bagleys have decided to join us again. Seems they missed us and all the good times they had with us. I did not have any membership applications with me so I hope they either send me their email address or home address so we can send them an app.

Very Last.

We are still looking for a host/s for HCT. It's not that hard and lots of people are willing to help....

David Lawson

Secretary/Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer reports that there were no treasury transactions from last report (seen here) until VH. At VH, the prez/host reports a net gain of \$68 from registrations and \$18 from breakfast which is in transit from prez to treas at this time. Additionally, as per the From The Prez article in this newsletter, the EVA treasury will be added to the LSV Down Rider Fund.
- rb

as of 9/5/2015 (& consequently, thru 10/14/15),

we have a total of \$1,225.22 in our checking account. \$837.72 for the club use and \$387.50 in down riders fund,

Treasurer: Sandra

THE SAFETY CORNER

this is a "Classic" Safety Corner message (i.e., a rerun) from our Jul- Aug 2010 Newsletter.

Is it always best to be First?

If we were talking about sports, Yes. It's more money & prestige to be the winner of the Super Bowl, World Series, the College National Championship Football game, NASCAR Championship race, Kentucky Derby, and a whole slew of other things.

It's even good to be first in the "Best in Show" at a motorcycle event.

But, if you think about it, it's not always best to be first at the traffic light. It's statistically proven with accident reports that most accidents that happen at intersections are due to someone running a red light.

With our busy lives we live now days, distractions are all around us, coming at us from all different directions, from our jobs, kids, bills.....you name it, it's there.

And if it's not ourselves that is distracted, it's probably the other driver.

You're first in line at the light, you see green, and you accelerate only to get broadsided by someone trying to beat the red light. If you are on a motorcycle, that's bad news. If you are in a car or truck it's not so bad.

In my 39 ½ years of driving (part of that being a cop) I've witnessed or investigated more than I care to think about. Some were non-injury accidents, some were bad injury accidents.

With that all said it's really not bad being 2nd, 3rd or 4th in line at the light. If you do wind up being first in line, make sure that the perpendicular traffic flow has stopped from both directions or the 3rd direction if there is a "protected left turn" light before proceeding into the intersection.

Rick Londagin.

LSV Safety Officer

Working on bikes

To quote Dylan, Cash, & The Turtles - "It Ain't Me Babe" (That is, not me working on bikes. You see, I don't have a bike. Get it?) - richard

Ride Reports

Sheila & I left Thursday about 2:30p pulling a trailer behind the XII. Was planning to ride the "new to me" Wing but it was not to be. Got to the Lake Palestine fishing resort about 6pm and was greeted by several members already there and hungry. Sheila had made rice & beans for supper and soon all were happy.

Friday morning met with several for breakfast at the resort and soon decided we could make a better breakfast ourselves so we pooled our money & Sheila collected the money for supplies for the next day. Met at the pavilion, divided up in two groups, decided to have lunch at the Shed and left on the ride. Ed & Norbel leading one group and Sheila & I the other. Ed's group left first and were soon out of sight. We took a more leisurely run. Made it to the Shed in Edom expecting to see the other group there but not so. As we were walking in to the Shed, Ed's group shows up. Seems they wanted to take a more scenic route. (also there was a small problem with the map, 2 turns with the wrong numbers, who made those maps/directions???). We heard that a member of their Ed's group had a problem with too tall a bike or not enough leg but that is another story. Lunch & back to the resort. If you haven't been to the Shed, you are missing out. Put it on you bucket list. Most everyone stayed at the pavilion and caught up with news of each other. Paul & Jenny were in charge of supper Friday night and they did a GREAT job. Cooked some of the thickest burgers I have seen in a long time. Had all the fixin' to go along with the burgers and soon everyone was happy again. Some even had TWO burgers. Still growing, I guess. Had a little fun with awards. Ask Dave Schani, Ed and David Lawson about their beads. DD got beads also but he got his on Thursday night. Ask him.

Saturday was a perfect morning. Sheila & I, my brother Harold and several others helped in making breakfast. Everyone agreed that breakfast at the cabin was much better than at the resort. With everyone happy, dishes cleaned up, got ready to ride. Going South to Palestine today. 2 groups again with RR leading one and Sheila & I leading the other. FM 839, FM 315 & FM 321 are roads everyone needs to ride. Rode to Davey Dogwood park outside Palestine. Sharp turns, slow speeds, beautiful scenery. Leaving the park, the first group fell in behind us. Seems they took a long way around due to GPS error. We let them go ahead of us and had a great ride. Sweeping curves, tight turns, scenery that was great. Got back to the resort about 3:30p. Most stayed at the pavilion for a while then drifted off to nap, cleanup for supper and whatever ... Left the resort at 5:30p for the BAR 7 restaurant. Again Great food, good service and GREAT conversation. Ask RR about his beads.

Sunday..Everyone was packing up to go home, saying goodbyes and leaving. Sheila & I decided sight see so at Oakwood decided to take a detour. We found out that Voyagers do NOT like sand. Thankfully two guys from Three Rs oilfield Supply company came by & helped unstick our XII. Couple of guys that just decided to come that way. Got home about 3:30p. Cleaned up, put up, stored away things for the next time.

It was a great to see all and look forward to HCT. We still need a Host(s). We are willing to help. I know several others would help also. Did miss Speedball & Cindy, the Judges and the Herrings... Talked bad about Speedball, Missed the people that could not come... - David Lawson

Lunch Rides

Just prior to VH, we lunched at Carmine. Next up 11/14, (the 2nd Saturday of the month at 11:30 a.m.) is, according to the list on the web site, The Chess Club in Blanco. Not to be confused with the Bowling Club, which is also in Blanco (see what they did there?). December lunch ride looks to be Saturday Dec 12, at Casa Rodriguez in Bryan. Both are subject to confirmation by club gurus, so watch the forum or call me or a guru the week of the scheduled ride.

Up and Coming:

Got official approval to put our EV events on the LSV calendar and web page. Have the SFR scheduled for the weekend of March 18th. I will have to work on the web to get the info there. Will try the Lost Alaskan again in Alpine. Hopefully the weather will be better this time.

Yall have a great day. - RR (RR is the webmaster for EVA. He has a close working relationship with the webmaster for LSV). SFR is Spring Fun Run.

LSV 2015 Calendar:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
1/1, 2016	Blessing of Bikes	Boerne HD?	CMA
3/18, 2016	Spring Fun Run	maybe Alpine	EVA&LSV
April 2016(TBD)	Hill Country Tour*	TBD	TBD Octoberish 2016
Voyage Home*	TBD	TBD	* designated events are our

two ride-in weekends and include a business meeting. Officer elections are scheduled for VH, 2016

Richard's Ritings and Wridings

So, the EVA is merging with LSV ASAP. With this newsletter, I have added current, dues-paying members of EVA to the LSV mailing list as best as I could, where they will remain until/unless they request their removal or drop their membership. Lots of EVAers are already LSVers, so my task is a small one. Welcome all of you to this not-so-humble riding group.
