



# GOLD COUNTRY HARLEY RIDERS

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## Safety Messages

Rain – Avoid painted lines, metal surfaces and oil patches at stop lights.

Wind – Grip tank with knees, lean into gusts.

Cold – Warm tires with gentle acceleration before pushing the pace.

Fog- Use low beam, follow lane markers.

Pre Bike Inspection – Tires check pressure and thread depth.

Controls – Make sure brakes and clutch are working.

Lights – Test headlights, brake lights, and turn signals.

Oil -check level and look for leaks.

## **GOLD COUNTRY HARLEY RIDERS**

**WE ARE FAMILY  
WE ROCK & RIDE**



## GGCHR Meetings

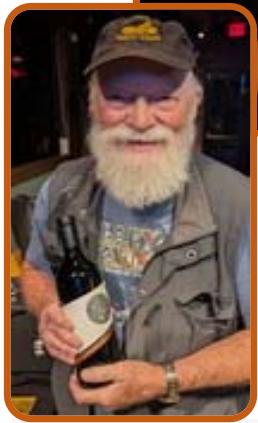
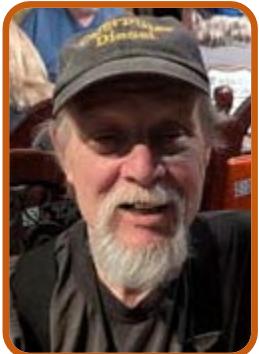
2<sup>nd</sup> Wed  
of each month  
General Meeting  
El Tapatio Mexican Restaurant  
2100 Grass Valley Hwy  
Auburn, CA 95603  
Dinner-6 pm /Meeting-7 pm

## GCHR Membership Dues

**\$30.00** Yearly/per person

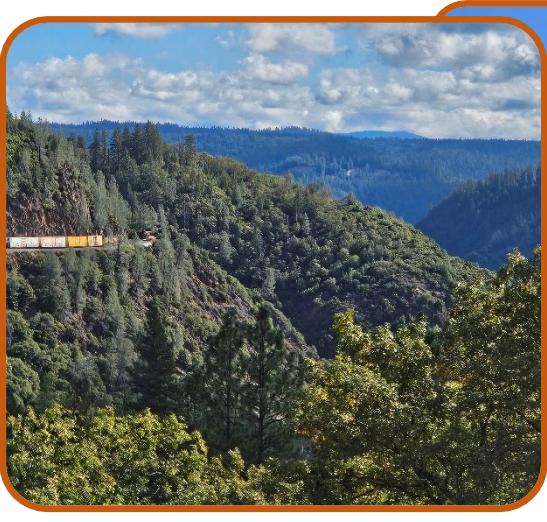
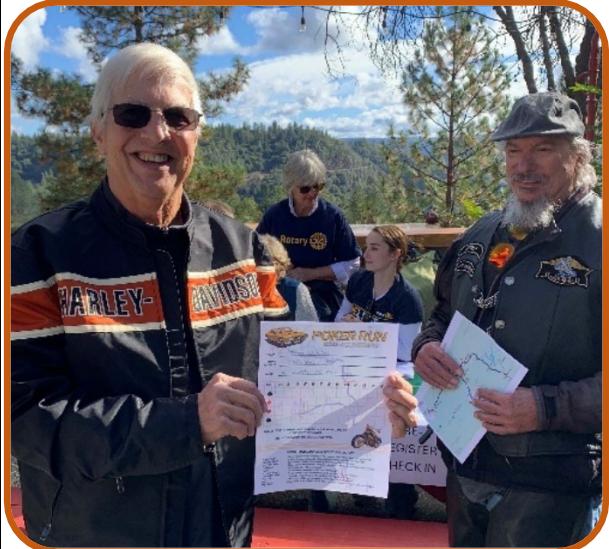
# 2025 ~ October General Meetings and GCHRers on the road

October 8, 2025 ~ GCHR General Meeting at El Tapatio, Auburn



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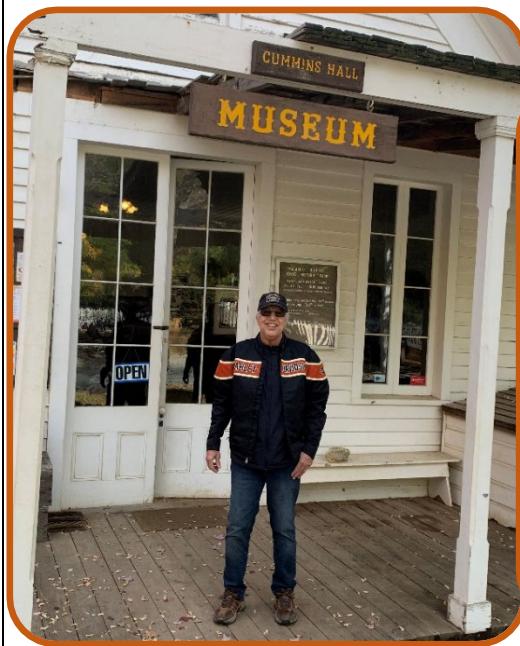
## October 11, 2025 ~ Rotary Club Grass Valley South - Annual Poker Run



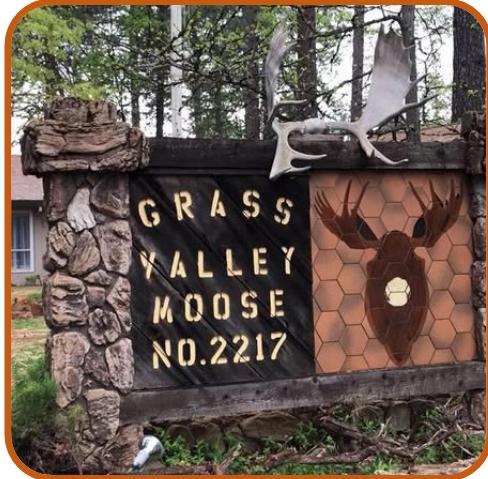
## October 19, 2025 ~ Sunday Foothills Ride



## October 24, 2025 ~ Malakoff Diggins Ride to See the Fall Leaves or Mister Bear



## October 26, 2025 ~ Moose Lodge GV



### What's it like riding the back of a Harley? By Edna Rose

I met Jim on a Dating Site. Our first meeting was at Starbucks in Lincoln. He brought his bike. I wore jeans, so he brought me a helmet and helped me put it on.



I climbed on and hugged him tight. I was a little nervous.

He took me on some country roads.  
I felt the wind on my face, I loved it!

Being able to see everything and smell the smells.  
(some nice and some not so nice, LOL).

We've taken some awesome rides, Apple Hill,  
Folsom Lake, Lake Tahoe, Fort Bragg, Jackson,  
Lake Orville, Alpine Lake and  
I've been to Street Vibrations twice.

Best of all I'm sharing all this with the love of my life Jim Greene

Check out the new bling on Edna's finger!!  
Congratulations to Jim and Edna on their  
Engagement!!

Our Newest Road Captains.  
Join Bob, Cindy or Luis for  
fun scenic friendly rides.  
(Including food stops!)



## 2025 ~ November General Meetings and GCHRers on the road

November 12, 2025 ~ GCHR General Meeting at El Tapatio, Auburn



GCHR Meeting 11- 12-2025 Our VETERANS



Bob, Tom, Howard, Bud, Kim, Michael, & Mac! ❤️ Thank you for your service to our country!!  
We are very proud of each and every one of you!

## November 1, 2025 ~ Explore our Mining History - Allegheny

Kim Weber, Mark Korb, Bob D'Elia



## November 2, 2025 ~ GCHR Road Cleanup Crew

Great turnout for the road cleanup!

Cindy planted some daffodil bulbs under our GCHR sign and around the 'Nevada County' structure!

Loved the turnout! It's always fun to meet up for brunch after we have finished.

Thanks to all who participated



## November 8, 2025 ~ Bud's Ride to the Buttes



Captain Bud Hausman as we ride around the Sutter Buttes  
(Aka. The smallest mountain range in North America)

# November 11, 2025 ~ Auburn ~ Veteran's Day Parade

What a wonderful day spent honoring our veterans.

Big shout out and thanks to those who served and those who supported them in their time of service. ❤.



Fun Time  
Great Turnout



Ednas finger – It's little Miss Adorable..!!! ❤

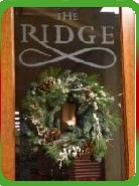


# December 6, 2025 ~ Auburn, Gold Country Toy Run



## 2025 ~ December GCHR Christmas Party





## Dec. 10, 2025 - GCHR Annual Christmas Dinner

The Ridge, 2020 Golf Course Rd. Auburn, CA.



Luis & Kim



Amy



Charlotte & Dennis



Jay & Lillia



Marinette & Bob



Jerry & Connie



Jim & Edna



Linda & Bud



Gary & Barb



Jack



Molly & Mark



Barb & Mike



Howard & Cindy



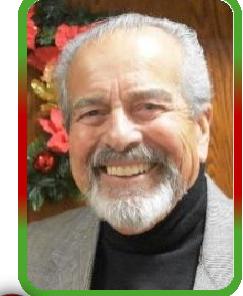
Steve & Lisa



Brenda



Denise & Terry



Art



Joyce



Sue & Mike



Mary



ROY & Lisa



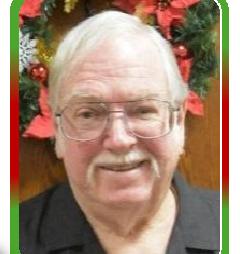
Darrell



Peggy & Bruce



Kim W



Tom

# Special Funds for 2025 Charity:

 The Spirit of Christmas Was Alive Today at Gold Country Harley Riders 

What a wonderful day for Gold Country Harley Riders and a perfect reminder of what this season is all about—giving, compassion, and community.

Today, Howard, Cindy and I had the honor of delivering our donation checks, and both visits were nothing short of heartwarming. Our first stop was Sammy's Friends in Grass Valley, where we met with their director, Lynn. She was absolutely thrilled and deeply grateful for our donation. Lynn then gave the three of us a tour of their beautifully organized facility—separate buildings for cats, dogs, and other animals, all thoughtfully designed and lovingly cared for.

Right now, they have their hands full caring for many animals that were recently confiscated from a situation where they were not being treated properly. It was humbling to see the care and dedication being poured into these animals during this Christmas season. We are excited to partner with Sammy's Friends for future needs, and they are always looking for volunteers—especially for something as simple and meaningful as walking dogs in the neighborhood. While we were there, several volunteers were already lending a hand, and Howard generously volunteered some of his precious time to help walk the dogs. A true example of the season of giving. 

Our next stop was Acres of Hope, and that place is truly special. I spent time speaking with their director and shared just how strongly the members of GCHR felt about supporting her organization. We also love that Acres of Hope is 100% local, serving our own community. She proudly explained that all their donations come from the local community and stay right here helping those in need. She then invited me on a tour of their facility, where I saw three acres of tiny homes dedicated to caring for women and children in need. Seeing that kind of hope and healing firsthand—especially at Christmastime—was incredibly moving. We look forward to partnering with Acres of Hope for future events as well.

All in all, it was a beautiful day

filled with gratitude, generosity, and Christmas spirit. Gold Country Harley Riders should feel proud—in your hearts, your minds, and your souls—knowing that today, our donations, our love, and our brotherhood helped bring hope to many this holiday season.

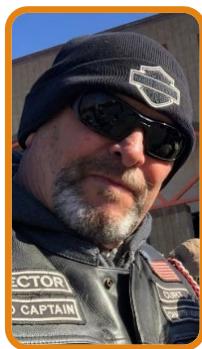
Note by Luis Velazquez



**This year our 2025 Special Fund for Charity totaled \$1480**

**We donated to Sammies Friends \$640;  
Acres of Hope \$640;  
Curt Vanhooser Memorial Scholarship fund \$200.**

**Thank you for your generosity.**



## GCHR 2025 Christmas WOW

Our generous members donated \$200 to the Curt Van Hooser Memorial Auto Technology Scholarship at American River College!! Established by Cyndee Van Hooser in his honor after Curt was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident on September 21, 2025. I'm so proud to be a member of this amazing club!! Kim Barnette

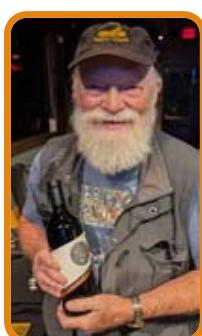
## American River College: Curt Van Hooser Memorial Auto Technology Scholarship

GPA: 3.00, Units Completed: 6, Minimum Units Enrolled, 6

**Student must be a veteran or dependent of a veteran.**

# Congratulations to the Lucky Raffle Winners!

## October Raffle



Michael



Bud



Luis



Cindy



Linda

Winner



## November Raffle



Edna



Mark



Denise



Connie



Lillia

Winner



## December Raffle



Winner

GCHR 2025 Christmas Party  
Congratulations Howard!  
Winner of the end of  
the Year Raffle Prize!!  
Thank you everyone  
who donated to the raffle all year!!



WELCOME TO OUR  
NEW GCHR MEMBER

OCT RICKY TWIST



Congratulations to Cindy!!  
for winning the November  
Bonehead award 😊  
(Ask her why. lol)

# CONGRATULATION 2025!

## 4th QTR BIRTHDAY WINNERS

October



Jim



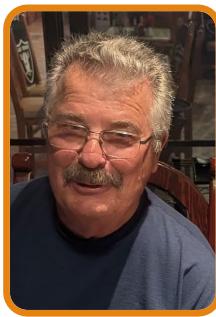
November



Linda



December



Bruce



Current months' Birthday  
Members in Attendance:

OCTOBER Jim Greene

NOVEMBER Linda Hausman

DECEMBER

Bruce Ullom  
Barb Kling



Happy Birthday ~Best wishes to the upcoming GCHR 2026 Members Special Day!!!

JAN



FEB



MAR



Larry Miller

1/2

Connie Ferrell

2/4

Edna Rose

3/4

Bud Hausman

1/6

Cindy Lalowski

2/8

Sue Rhodes

3/9

Brad Tallman

1/7

Brenda Stanley

2/17

John Robertson

3/19

Marvin Poulson

1/15

Jay Del Bono

2/21

Amy Brooks

3/22

Rick Stanley

1/16

Bob Delia

1/22

Ricky Twist

1/29



Our New Safety Officer ~ Head Road Captain Bud Hausman

(Left to right) Bob, Marvin, Howard, Cindy, Gary, Peggy, Pete, Kim B, Luis, Kim W, Bud.

Job Well Done - Congratulations to our newest Road Captains - Bob, Cindy and Luis!

## Officers & Appointed Positions



### Cindy LaLowski HWY 49 Clean Up

For our highway cleanup update, I am so thankful to all the volunteers who joined us with this task. The last cleanup was the best so far with at least a dozen of us showing up. We were able to get the whole section cleaned. I did see that Caltrans was out in the past month trimming and removing trees along that section of the highway. I planted 35 daffodils bulbs by the "Welcome to Nevada County" sign and some around our GCHR sign. So I'm looking forward to spring when they bloom. It will bring attention to our sign, and we can smile when we ride by. Thank You for trusting me to do this wonderful work for our club.

Cindy



### Howard Mordell Head Road Captain & Safety Officer

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that all of you are already enjoying your 2026, as I know that I am. As I turn over the role of Head Road Captain / Safety Officer, I look forward to my new duties as your new Assistant Director. I'm sure that Luis and I will be working together to make our club an even better one. With Bud Hausman coming on board as the new Head Road Captain, you can look forward to seeing even more great rides. I'm sure that he'll have a few surprises up his sleeve for all of us. I'm also sure that he'll have some very good safety tips for all of us as well. For those of you who are planning on putting your bikes away for the Winter months, feel free contact our own Marvin Poulsen for advice on doing that correctly. Marvin is a wealth of knowledge when it comes to taking care of our motorcycles.

Ride safe everyone.

Howard



### Luis Velazquez

Director



I am incredibly honored and deeply grateful to share that I have been reelected as Director of the Gold Country Harley Riders for the 2026 calendar year. Your continued trust and support mean more to me than words can express, and I could not be prouder to serve this amazing club.

As I look back on the past year, there is so much to celebrate. Together, we have grown our club in meaningful ways. We welcomed many new members into the GCHR family, expanded the number of rides we offer, and added new activities that brought us closer together. Our calendar was fuller, our rides were stronger, and the camaraderie that defines Gold Country Harley Riders was on full display.

Looking ahead to 2026, we are committed to expanding the number of rides we put on and offering a wider variety of ride styles and destinations. From relaxed scenic cruises to longer adventure-style rides, our goal is to make sure there is something for everyone and more opportunities for us to get out, ride together, and create lasting memories.

I truly believe this year has the potential to be our year. With a clear focus and a shared vision, we will continue building on the momentum we've created. Our goal remains simple but powerful: to strengthen our club, create memorable experiences, and ensure every member feels valued, included, and proud to wear the GCHR name.

I am very much looking forward to working alongside our board members—both new and returning—as well as all our members. Together, we will continue to do things the GCHR way: united as a club, grounded in integrity, and driven by love, friendship, and respect for one another. Thank you for believing in me and in Gold Country Harley Riders. I'm excited for the road ahead and all that we will accomplish together in 2026. Ride safe, ride strong, and ride together.

Director, Gold Country Harley Rider

Luis





## Kim Barnette

### Raffle Queen & Photographer

2025 was truly a great year! I am looking forward to even more great times in 2026!! Thank you to everyone on the GCHR Board for their hard work and dedication to this club!

Thank you to all the Road Captains for all the great rides this past year! A lot goes into planning and preparing for a ride. Thanks to all our members for supporting our Road Captains and making all the rides fun, safe, and successful! I love seeing all the enthusiasm and excitement of our members!

Wow! You are all awesome!! We raised \$1480 in donations for charity this year!! I am very proud to be a member of this very generous group of bikers! We have \$640 to Sammie's Friends, \$640 to Acres of Hope, and \$200 to the Curt Van Hooser memorial scholarship fund! Thank you so much for all your donations and support for our special fund for charities!

I have really enjoyed being Raffle Queen for the last three years! I am so grateful for all your support and for all the donations to the raffle. You all make it fun and your donations help make money for our club! Thank you again to everyone who has brought in raffle donation prizes! I am excited to turn over the reins to Edna and Denise! I know they will do an amazing job!

I really appreciate seeing all the pics from the rides! Please continue to take pics and share them on Facebook or send them to me and I will share them! I will continue adding them to our GCHR website!

I am truly grateful to be a member of the GCHR family!!

Kim



## Charlotte Chapman

### Hospitality

We sent several cards to our members this year. Let's hope 2026 will be a healthy, safe year for everyone and their families.

Happy New Year and Take Care

Charlotte



## Peggy Ullom

### Secretary

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a great Christmas holiday and everyone will have a healthy and prosperous 2026!

I just want to say thank you for voting for me to be the Club Secretary for the past few years. It has been an enjoyable experience being on the GCHR board. And I know Cindy will do a great job in 2026.

Hope to see everyone at a Club meeting, event, or on a ride soon.

Peggy



## Cindy Lalowski

### Membership

It was my pleasure to serve as your membership representative. I really got to know almost everyone in the club in this role. It gets really busy with renewals from November to

January. We did learn a few things in regard to adding new members and vetting them prior to acceptance to the club. A BIG shout out to Peggy for coming to the house and helping show me the ropes. I now know how to update the many forms that fall into the membership responsibility role. I think Peggy was the only member who knew how to do this in the past. We do have some new members who will be joining in 2026, so I look forward to meeting and riding with them.



Cindy



## Jerry Hufstedler

### Sgt at Arms

2025 was a good year with a lot of good rides and good people.

It was a year of ups, downs and then went sideways.

It was an honor to be your Sgt at Arms, and I am looking forward to being your Membership Officer in 2026.

Happy New Year to All!



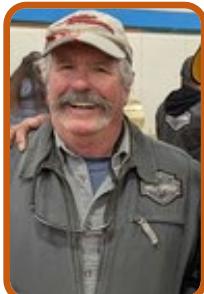
Jerry

## Barb & Gary Kling Patches



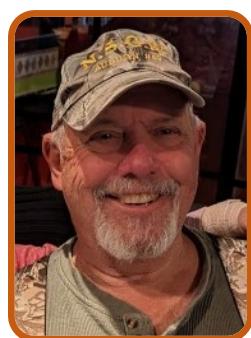
First of all, we would like to thank all the 2025 board members for the great job they did last year, and we are looking forward to 2026. Barb and I have patches in all sizes for anyone who needs them this year. We will miss the January meeting but will see everyone in February, here's to safe rides and a fantastic 2026. See you all soon.

Barb & Gary



## Bud Hausman Web Master

Tales from the Web



It has been an interesting end of the year. As your outgoing web master for the past 12 years. I want to thank everyone for their support.

Meetup will announce upcoming events, and it is recommended that all members sign up to keep in touch.

The website, Calendar and photo Gallery will continue to operate as usual and access to the members area allows you to view all the documentation covering the Clubs Past and Present.

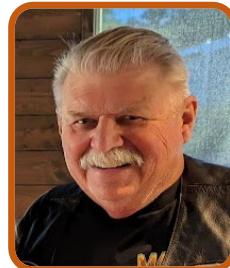
The website contains all the updated documents and access to past ride pictures if you have a spare couple of months Brouse the past pictures to restore the memory of those rides.

Keep track of the Calendar and join us to make the end of 2025 a year to remember!

Bud



## Dennis Chapman Past Director



Happy New Year!

With 2025 behind us it is time to look back at all the good of the year. The very first thing to notice is how much more participation we have

had over the last year. Whether it is at a meeting or on a ride the number of members present has increased greatly. Even more rewarding for us was the big increase in the donations we were able to make to two of our local charities. Our local charities need help, and it is great that we can help each year.

For 2026 I am hoping to see Gold Country Harley Riders Continue to grow and our events become bigger and better than last year. Remember it is not just your membership but also your participation that keeps our club growing. The more we grow the more we can do. Invite your friends and riders you meet to join us. When they show up make sure they feel welcome. Let's ride!



Dennis



"MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IS TO THROW CAUTION TO THE WIND, GET BACK TO MY DANGEROUS RISK TAKING WAYS... THIS IS UNLESS MOM SAYS NO."



## Connie Ferrell Newsletter Editor

I am so glad to get to know members of GCHR. I have had fun and laughed a lot. Sue and Peggy have been kind in advising and helping with the Newsletter. Our photographer Kim and various members have taken great photos and shared the rides and experiences with me that I included in our GCHR newsletter. I couldn't have done it without all the help. Thank You.

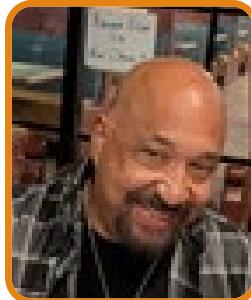
I'm looking forward to a year of fun and safe adventures.

Connie

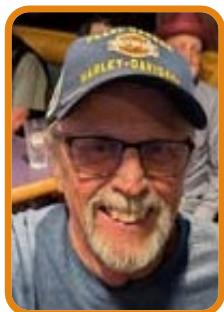


## 2026 GCHR BOARD MEMBERS

Luis - Director



Howard -



Asst. Director

Cindy -  
Secretary;  
& Hwy 49 -  
Cleanup

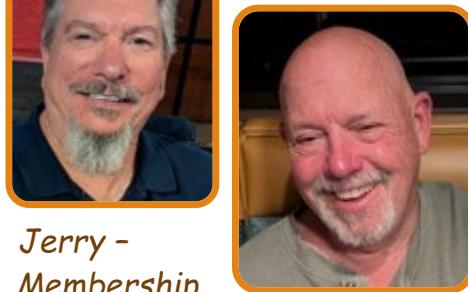


Kim - Treasurer  
& Photographer



Jerry -  
Membership

Bud-Safety Officer-  
Head Road Captain



## Linda Hausman Activities

Greetings and Happy New Year to all our GCHR members, As outgoing Activities Officer, I want to express my pleasure in planning our Club activities this past year.

The year started off with our Get acquainted day and Chili cook-off and ended with our Christmas Party. Even though I was the one planning the events, I had amazing help and support from our members. The reason the events were successful was due to the support and help. Thank you to all who participated.

Lisa Bailer is our new Activities Officer for 2026. I am confident that Lisa will do a phenomenal job. She will need help and support, so please consider participating (if you haven't already). I am looking forward to 2026 to be a year full of fun rides and events!

Linda



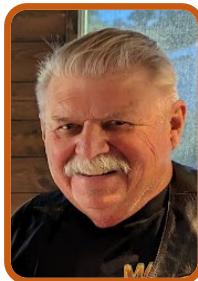
Edna & Denise - Raffle Team Lisa - Activities



Connie -  
Newsletter



Dennis  
Past Director



Jim  
Sergeant at Arms



Barb & Gary  
Merchandise - Patches...



## 2026 ~ GENERAL INFORMATION & DATES TO REMEMBER



**GCHR**  
**General Meetings:**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each Month  
El Tapatio Restraunt  
2100 Grass Valley Hwy  
Auburn, CA 95603  
530-823-1026

**Board Meetings:**



(Last Wed of each Month.  
Check Calendar for location.)

**Reminder:**  
**ALWAYS CHECK**  
**Meet-UP APP &**  
**GCHR Calendar** at:

[www.GoldCountryHarleyRiders.com](http://www.GoldCountryHarleyRiders.com)  
for additional rides, changes and  
detailed ride information.

## 2026 ~ GCHR ELECTED OFFICERS

Director	Asst. Director	Secretary	Treasurer
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## 2026 ~ GCHR APPOINTED POSITIONS

Hwy 49 Cleanup	Hospitality	Merchandise/ Patches	Photographer	Sergeant at Arms
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## 2026 ~ GCHR ROAD CAPTAINS

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