

FH-DCE NEWSLETTER

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SECRETARY'S WORDS

Dear friends and family members,

I am confused. I am not sure what to say. We are living so difficult time. So many of us is in true danger. So many gatherings of ours must have been cancelled and many will be, even our main event FH-DCE Super Rally[®]. Luckily we found, with help of H-DC Brno, a solution that prevents the organizer loose all the money they already had put to make it happen. Now we have possibility to make it just after two years postponing. We are going to ask our Presidents' Meeting on October to authorize H-DC Sweden to make this cancelled rally in 2022, by helping allowance of H-DC Brno. I'm hoping we all together will find a good understanding to thank H-DC Brno about this, in a proper way.

Later on in this newsletter I'm sharing to you a letter from Bill Davidson. He is our true friend and wanted to courage us in this difficult situation after he heard that we must postpone the FH-DCE Super Rally[®]. You can read it here on next page. It's adressed to us all.

Today I'm seeing my job as your Federation Secretary in a different way than earlier. When I was first elected to this post I was a successor of our loved friend, who wanted to step down and I was recommended to this post by him. On last Presidents' Meeting in Zürich it was different. I was a willing candidate and I had a contestant too, and you choose me. I was very thankful and honored about this and I still am. I feel it every day and I am trying to work this post as well and assidous as I ever can. Again, thank you very much for the trust you showed to me. I'll try to be worth of it.

All the best for you!

Take care of you and your loved ones, so we can ride together after this ordeal too.

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A letter from Bill Davidson to all of us

Dear Robert, organizers of the Super Rally, volunteers from H-DC Sweden and all our friends from FH-DCE,

I've recently been informed of the cancellation of this year's Super Rally to be held in Sweden and I'd like to express my sincere gratitude for all the work you've already done to organize the great event. I understand the heartbreak and disappointment you must all be feeling right now, especially when breaking a 45 year record for the Super Rally. I also want to congratulate you for the leadership and integrity you've shown in taking swift and decisive action and putting the health and safety of our community first!

Know that you have my full support during these difficult times and that Harley-Davidson and its enthusiasts will endure. This is thanks to the dedication of people like you, organizations like the Federation of Harley-Davidson Clubs Europe and all our faithful riders worldwide.

Be safe and healthy, and see you out on the road soon.

Best Regards,

Bill

Bill Davidson Vice President Harley-Davidson Museum



Robert Bodin, Karen Davidson, Sakke , Bill Davidson and Roberto at the European Bike Week in Faakersee 2019

Information about the change of form of the FH-DCE



At the last Presidents' Meeting in Zurich in November 2019 all member clubs of the FH-DCE decided to change our form of organization:

Away from the EEIG into an association.

With the help of our notary in Groningen, Anko Harms, from Lambeck Harms Notarissen, we made the different steps for the change and with date of February 25th 2020 our Federation is registered in the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce as a "Vereeniging" (Association) with full legal capacity.

With the date of November 16th 2019 the EEIG FH-DCE has been dissolved.

Information about our Web-Site: fhdc.eu

We try to keep our Web Site updated as much as possible. We have installed a NEWS button:

fhdce.eu/news

here you can find all the important news concerning our Federation and our memberclubs. Just have a look from time to time on our website to see the changes and to stay informed about the Federation, Rallies, etc.

Some news from member clubs

- Harley-Indian-Club Schweiz had annual meeting at the end of November 2019 and they have new board members and new functions of the old members as follows:
 - Eric van der Ploeg, President
 - Andreas Sommer, Vice-President
 - Christian Schulthess, Treasurer
 - Ruedi von Werdt, Secretary/Clubshop
 - Iris Garbade, Club News
 - Dani Wicker, Road Captain
- In 2025 H-DC RIDERS OF POLAND will celebrate 40 years of its foundation. According to previous discussion they would like to organize FH-DCE Super Rally in 2025 in Poland and combine FH-DCE Super Rally 2025 and the 40th Anniversary of H-DC RIDERS OF POLAND.

- H-DC Cyprus has elected a new board on 8.3.2020.
 - President : Thrasos Kepsis
 - Secretary: Theodoros Katsikides
 - Treasurer: Panagiotis Geraniotakis
 - Member: Giannis Pilavakis
 - Member: Andreas Karafotias.







To member clubs FH-DCE

Member of Audit committee, Cash Control

Dear friends

As every year we are looking for a new member for our audit committee, or cash control. We have a rotational system with two acting members and one reserve member. The reserve member will be full member the following year and replace the member who was acting member for 2 years. You will be elected for the period of three years. (one reserve year and two acting years)

The actual members are:

Nr. 1	Alain Gartmann, Patriots H-DC
Nr.2	Jerry Sigmund Jr., H-DC Brno
Reserve	Ernesto Navarro Egea, H-DC Aragon

As a member of the audit committee you are asked to check the accounts of the federation. This will be done during a meeting the day before the Presidents' Meeting.

It is of course useful, when you know something about accounting or even when you have been treasurer in your club. The work in the audit committee is voluntary work for the federation.



We are looking forward to your proposals, and please don't hesitate to ask us when there are questions concerning the audit committee.

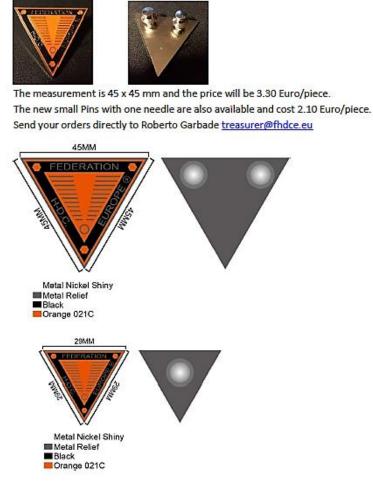
Drive safe

Roberto Federation Treasurer

FH-DCE MERCHANDISE

For our Federation Members, we sell Patches, Pins and Stickers with the Federation Logo. **Premise: The FH-DCE emblem is a registered trademark and the property of the FH - DCE, which identifies Members belonging to the Clubs of FH-DCE.

The FH-DCE patch is reserved only for FH-DCE Club Members, and must not be sold, given, or made available to any third parties. Clubs of the FH - DCE may sell or give the FH-DCE patch to respective Members in accordance with their local rules.**





Our new patches are now available! The patches are woven! Price 1.00 Euro / piece

Place your order to: treasurer@fhdce.eu

You will also find these information on our Web-Site in the member area!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: DUE TO THE ACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES WE ARE NOT ABLE TO SEND OUT PINS AND PATCHES FOR THE MOMENT!

Roberto

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Do not forget to check into the FH-DCE homepage now and then.

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PLEASE, do not forget to share this newsletter with your club members!