

Harley Owners Group Donation

Monadnock Harley Owners' Group Donates Gas Cards to Cancer Patients

(Keene, NH 7/27/10) —Monadnock Harley Owners Group (HOG) raised over \$3,200 with a Poker Run on Saturday, July 17, 2010. The money will be used to purchase gas cards for patients at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Norris Cotton Cancer Center at the Kingsbury Pavilion.

Patients travel from across the tristate area to the Kingsbury Pavilion for care. Cancer treatment requires regular visits. Radiation treatments are daily—chemotherapy weekly—for a number of weeks.

“When someone is traveling 45 minutes one way to get here from Peterborough or Bellows Falls, the mileage adds up fast,” according to Jennifer Michelson, RN, BSN, Director, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Norris Cotton Cancer Center at the Kingsbury Pavilion. “If you have a limited income, the cost of gas becomes an obstacle to treatment. Local bikers, however, helps us overcome that obstacle by giving us the ability to donate gas cards to patients in need.”

Close to two hundred motorcycles navigated 78 miles of back roads throughout the region, ending with a barbeque lunch at the American Legion on Court Street.

“We are very happy to help out,” Pete Morin, club director, Monadnock HOG, said. “We have all been touched by cancer in some way. It’s an honor to know we have can make it possible for someone to receive life-saving care.”

The Kingsbury Pavilion is certified by the American College of Surgeon (ACOC), Commission on Cancer as an approved cancer program. This designation ensures that patients receive comprehensive care with state-of-the-art cancer treatment modalities. The Commission on Cancer requires that a cancer program has a multi-specialty team approach, analyzes practice methods for quality of care, and provides information related to current clinical trials. The Kingsbury Pavilion is among only 25% of hospitals in the country have ACOS accredited cancer programs.