



Norwegian National HOG Rally 16-18 June 2006 in Stavanger

Official pre-European Rally!

A little bit of local history:

In Viking times Norway was divided into many small kingdoms. One of the kings, Harald, set himself an ambitious goal, and wanted to defeat all the other kings. He decided not to cut his hair or beard until his goal was achieved, thus probably looking like the first biker! In the year 900 the final battle was fought in Hafstrandsfjord near Stavanger, and Norway was forged into one Kingdom.

1106 years later H.O.G. Chapter Rogaland has set a similar goal as King Harald, and we aim to gather the entire Norwegian H.O.G. community in the same historic area. We will do this in a Viking Biker spirit, but promise to do it in a peaceful and friendly way. We would love it if our biker friends from Europe and around the world would join us!

The rally will be in the centre of Stavanger. Stavanger is Norway's 4th largest city, but has managed to keep an intimacy and friendliness of which we are very proud. Today Stavanger is the oil capitol of Norway, which has introduced an international atmosphere without destroying our authenticity. The city can offer a remarkable choice of recreation, shopping, nightlife and dining compared to its size. Our location on the south west coast makes us close to Europe, and easy to reach. Ferries to and from Denmark and the UK dock only 300 meters from the Rally site, or you can choose another Norwegian port and enjoy the ride to get here. If you just want to make a weekend visit, there are daily connections to most major European airports. We might even lend you our bikes.

The surrounding area is often referred to as 'Norway in miniature'. White beaches that stretch on forever. Fjords that wind inland between towering mountains. The largest scree in Northern Europe - with boulders as big as houses. Heather-covered hills where the wind sings, grasses bending, the distinctive cry of the Lapwing. All this less than an hour's ride away! There will be organised rides to enjoy, or we will help you to suggest a Self Guided Tour, depending on what you want to explore. There will also be a cruise on the fjords, which will sail parallel to the rides. Whatever you choose to enjoy, we promise we will do our best to make your stay here as memorable as possible!

The main aim for our Rally, apart from having a great time in Stavanger, is to gather as many friends as possible for the largest "Viking Invasion of Ireland" - for the European H.O.G. Rally - with organised rides to Killarney, or to provide you with the information you need if you want to go by yourself.

Welcome

It is not possible to experience the beauty of Norway in one weekend, but you will never get closer than this. You would love to welcome you, and we will treat you like the family members you are.

For more information about our Rally, visit www.hogrogaland.com or call Tor at +47 911 98 038