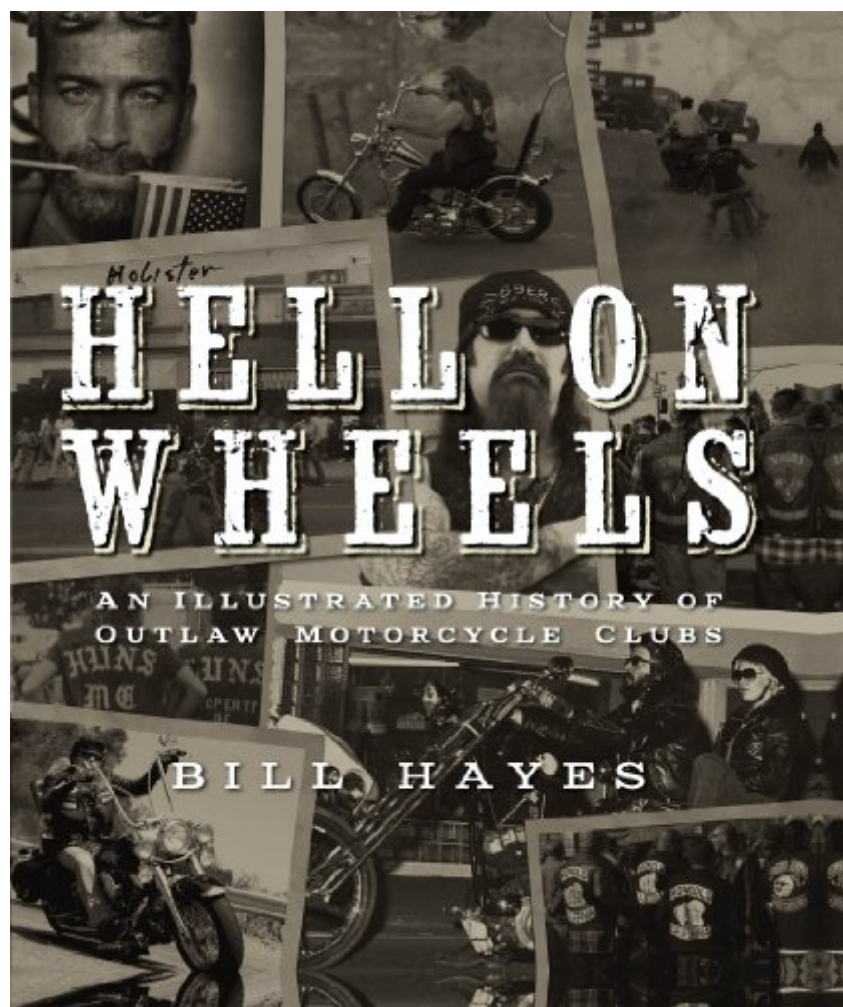


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Hell On Wheels: An Illustrated History Of Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs



Synopsis

A gripping history of outlaw motorcycle club culture from its beginnings to the present day. In a world where most of us roll over when confronted by the power of authority, the antihero figure of the outlaw biker stands beyond the crowd, a beacon of social freedom. By choosing to live outside of society's conventions, the one-percenter has the inner strength to act on his own convictions. Though most of us are too timid to venture into these outer margins of society, the one-percenter not only enters those margins—he stomps on them. In *Hell on Wheels*, avid motorcyclist Bill Hayes dives deep into the world of the outlaw motorcyclist, exploring legendary clubs like the Hells Angels, the Bandidos, the Outlaws, the Vagos, the Pagans, the Mongols, and many others, allowing the reader to peer into motorcycle club culture. Featuring both modern and historical photos, as well as a rare collection of club memorabilia found in no other publication, *Hell on Wheels* traces the roots and development of motorcycle club culture: its origins in the years following World War II; the turbulent 1960s and the disco era; the transition of clubs from loose groups of hooligans to highly organized machines; and, more recently, the copious clashes with law enforcement amid the post-9/11 world of the Patriot Act. The one-percenter has become one of the most popular figures in outlaw culture, and *Hell on Wheels* is his story.

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Bill Hayes has long been recognized as "The historian for the motorcycle culture." Over the years (40+) Bill, and friends from all over the world, have put together not one, but two publications that share the illustrated history of this unique lifestyle. His first publication, "The One-Percenter Encyclopedia" featured almost every 1% club in the world. He gave their history, where they lived and a short, well sometimes not so short, commentary. "The World of Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs from abyss ghosts to zombies elite." A great book for reference. With his second book he shares our mentality; the way we think, what our priorities are. "Hell On Wheels" An illustrated history of Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs. By Bill Hayes "The outlaw biker sands apart from the crowd, a beacon of freedom, laughing in the face of authority. While many do everything possible to avoid being marginalized by society, the one-percenter stomps through those margins without fear. Too often he ends up in prison or dead, but the ethos he lives by values freedom over life itself." This lifestyle demands respect; respect for yourself and respect from others. "If you want respect, give it." These people know who and what they are, they demand respect! When Bill Hayes says "illustrated" he means it. This book has more photos in it than family albums. Sometimes you'll get lost in the captions of the Pics. Some you'll enjoy, some not, but it's all our history. He starts with the stories, he discusses the history of our culture beginning with our military, the first clubs and the attitude of the men that built this lifestyle. Bill wears the green and white of the Boozefighters MC, and has for over 40 years.

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