

The Woman. The Club. The Legacy: Sisters of Scots WMC ~ 30 Years

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As she came to her senses out of the blackness from yet another brawl, the first thing Dayna Davidson did was check her colors. All the beatings in the world couldn't take her patch away, she was in it heart and soul -in a man's world...the aggressive world of outlaw bikers during the late 70's. Barely hanging on, but determined as hell, Dayna had sealed her fate time and again, with her "no turning back and no regrets" mantra. A mindset also shared by her sisters, a 'family' of women who motored the social outcast road together; women who were trying to find beauty in the people and places that made up this taboo biker community.

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You might not recognize her given name, Dayna Davidson, a spunky gal born in a small Texas town of Rosenberg, but raised in California by a strict Southern Baptist mother and a hard drinking, good-time dad. Early in life, she suffered the tragic loss of her older brother who drowned in a swimming accident, witnessed by Dayna at age five -- a moment that would forever leave her heartbroken.

Despite her conflicted family life, Dayna persevered through her childhood by taking the theatre stage to sing and act. She also proved to be a strong athlete in track -- good enough to be a contender for the Olympics. She did what most accomplished girls would do and went on to college, where she realized "it wasn't the right fit" and sought another course. Her new direction would lay the groundwork for her destiny: to create a women's motorcycle club.

It was 1978 when Dayna discovered motorcycling. Her pal, Corky Davis, gave her lessons on a Honda Hawk. From there she hit the open road searching for a home in the biker community. A woman commanding her own bike and her own identity in outlaw land, though, would be a brutal one. Her hazardous mission to share the streets and gain respect from the ruling 1%ers would leave her to endure numerous mental and physical beatings making clear, there was no room in their world for "a gal like her."

Dayna, not hindered by the threats, decided to reach out to other fellow female riders who desired her outlaw lifestyle and soon "Grumbles" gave birth to a revolutionary movement: women biker outlaw clubs.

Through the willingness of a member from the Valley Knights MC, Ron Strousse, mentored Grumbles in

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