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KENTUCKY ROAD RIDERS STATE NEWSLETTER



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VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Here in Kentucky we are blessed to have so many Veterans in the KRR. This month we give thanks traditionally for the harvest, but it is also Veterans Day. My personal thought is that we should be thankful for our Vets all year around

So this year on November 11th, thank all the Veterans that you happen to meet, and don't forget those who have perished. And don't ever pass up a chance to give them their due respect the rest of the year as well. We wouldn't have the freedoms we have today without them.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving meal and gobble 'til ya' wobble!



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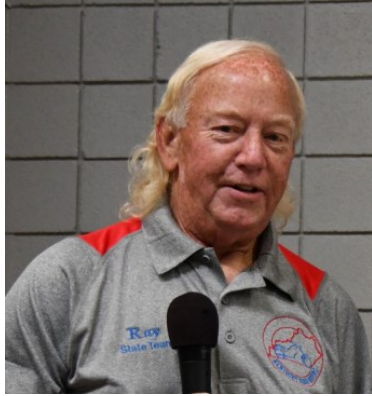
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In Loving Memory of Our Good Friend Ray



Well last month we all lost a GREAT FRIEND AND FELLOW KENTUCKY ROAD RIDER/ GWRRA MEMBER RAY CONRAD WHO JOINED GWRRA BACK IN VERY EARLY 1990'S!!!! We have been great friends since 2002 and fellow staff members. Please keep Kathy in your prayers - Dan Bondurant



Ray Conrad was a solid foundation for our motorcycle organization. We have been a member of this organization since 2005. Ray was here long before then.

We are not sure of the timeline, but Chapter G and N used to be one chapter together. The chapter was so large that it split and Chapter N was formed. Ray and Kathy were the Chapter Director for Chapter N, however he and Kathy continued to attend Chapter G meetings along with some of the folks from Chapter N. Years passed and eventually Chapter N folded and Ray and Kathy remained with Chapter G.

Ray and Kathy also served as District Director, followed by Buddy and Jeanie McKenzie. During that time is when Rick and I came to learn more about the District and how the organization worked.

When we took the role as Chapter Director, Ray and Kathy were one of our first meetings. They served as our mentors. We always knew we could count on them to give us guidance for what was best for the organization and the membership. They have been the heart of this motorcycle organization no matter what the name has been.



Since before our time as State Directors Ray has served as the Vendor Coordinator and the State Statistician, where kept the records of the points for visitation and the State plaque. Rick has always told everyone that Ray could keep a secret better than Ft. Knox! Luanne knew the results before we did and she was sworn to secrecy because she had to write the checks to the winning chapters. Ray only told Rick the final results at the extreme last minute so we could

print the certificates. Ray enjoyed watching the competition between the chapters play out and he always had a snicker on his face if you tried to get an idea of what the standings could be.



The state lost a treasure when we lost Ray. His memory will carry on in all that we continue to do as an organization. He was a thread woven through every chapter and state activity because of his devotion in helping build

this organization.

Continue to keep Kathy and their family in your thoughts and prayers.

State Directors Report



**Rick and Leah
Cridlin**

Kentucky State Directors

I am happy to start off this month's article by stating that the Kentucky Leaf Peeping ride put together by Bruce Hensley was a huge success! The routes were amazing, with mostly smooth roads and beautiful scenery. Mother Nature was pretty cooperative and only gave us less than favorable conditions on Sunday morning. She really showed herself at times with some heavy winds and rain, which put a lot of debris on the roads. Fortunately, we had an awesome street maintenance team with us consisting of Bruce Hensley and Dean Brown, who put their skills together and cleared a down branch from the road.

There were 8 of us who completed the entire route from Henderson to Mayfield, and quite a few others who joined in for a leg of the ride. I really enjoyed the company of everyone who participated, and I want to extend my appreciation to all those who assisted Bruce in planning such a great trip. When Bruce asked me what I thought about the ride, I told him that I would do it all over again next year. I added 1575 miles to my odometer from the time I left my garage until returning home and I loved every bit of it. I didn't mind dealing with the rain, because it gave me an opportunity to really get acquainted with my new bike. The only downside was cleaning it, which required a lot of extra attention due to the leaves and twigs that decided to come home with me. Bruce really put in a lot of work planning this trip and his reward was the smiling faces of those who participated. He is already talking about doing another trip next year, so keep your calendar clear next fall and do yourself a huge favor and plan to attend. Bruce gave me the opportunity to learn new things with my GPS, which I really appreciate. I don't want to wish the time away, but I really can't wait to do it again. I hope you will join us.

The next big event for the state is the Winter Warm-Up January 30th and 31st at the Historic Courthouse in Burlington. The theme this year is Kentucky Olympics to correspond with the Winter Olympics. Leah has reserved a block of rooms at the Comfort Suites in Florence for \$99.00 per night, which includes a sofa sleeper in addition to the double queen beds, or king bed, as well as breakfast. There is also an indoor pool, and the hotel is pet friendly, so make your reservation now and let's get 2026 off to a great start.

Leah and I want to express our deepest condolences to Kathy Conrad on the passing of our dear friend Ray. Ray and Kathy were the GWRRA District Directors when we first joined in 2005, and they have been involved in the District and State Team ever since. Please keep Kathy in your prayers.

As we enter the holiday season, Leah and I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving. I'll save the Merry Christmas until next month.

Stay safe,

Assistant State Directors Report



Dan and Rita Bondurant

KY Assistant State
Directors

I don't know who all got to join in on the Fall Leaf Ride this year but I hear it was a blast. 3 of us from Chapter Y go to get in on the last leg from Mayfield back to Henderson. I met the group at the edge of town and showed them several round hay bales that were decorated for Halloween. There are actually 46 different businesses who have hay bales decorated for the Halloween contest in Mayfield. We had a great day riding back to Henderson and I want to thank Jim Reising and Johnny Myers for riding with me on this leg. My little safety bit for this month is being it's Fall and the gun season for deer starts Nov 8th be extra careful when out riding or driving.

As always if you see a bike out somewhere invite them to come ride with us. Who knows; they may be your new best friend!!

That's all from the West this month.



What's Happening with JMC Rider



John Lazzaroni

JMC Rider Founder

NEW JMC RIDERS Store Now Active!

BIG SAVINGS on Apparel, JMC Helmet Headsets, ROKKER Amplifiers, Speakers and Much More!

(Special Pricing Reserved for JMC RIDERS Group Members ONLY, Signup Today!)

New Products Will be Added to the Site Daily so Check Back Often to Complete Your Holiday Shopping!

JMC Riders Group Event Calendar Now Active.

Help us Choose an Event Director for Your State to Post Your Ride/Events on the Site in Real Time with Auto Email Notices to the Members.

Send Your Recommendations
to support@jmcriders.com

Together with YOUR help, we can build the new JMC RIDERS Group back to the membership numbers of the original Wing'd Rider and beyond!

For questions or assistance, please send email to SUPPORT@JMCRIDERS.com



Join the conversation



State Ride Coordinators

Bruce and Kathy Hensley



Well, the Fall State Ride is in the books, and what an adventure it was ! This was the culmination of a years worth of work, planning and discussing routes, meeting locations, motels and eating establishments. Let me just say up front that this would not have been possible without the help, advice and assistance of a select few who volunteered to help.

We had scheduled the ride the third weekend of October to take advantage of the fall leaves. This ride was set up from the start to be a RIDE TO RIDE, and not a destination ride. Knowing that some folks couldn't or wouldn't ride the entire 1000+ miles the ride was structured like a come and go shower, just join the ride at one of the meeting points on the agenda and ride as long and as far as any one person wanted to ride. We needed to be able to stay on schedule as we had scheduled time to meet at specific locations. We quickly realized that three days would not be enough to ride primarily back roads to take advantage of the beauty of Kentucky, so we pivoted to a four day ride.

Of course that was little to no rain for the weeks preceding the event, but the week of the event....a change in the weather was predicted and then the prognostications for inclement weather began to roll in. First all day on Saturday, then on Sunday, then both days (yuck). But knowing that most of those folks are wrong more than they are right we stayed the course (with contingency plans just in case they weren't 😊). By Wednesday, the predictions had settled to moving into Western Kentucky on Saturday night and rolling across the state during the night. As we would be riding east and north on Friday and east and south on Saturday, I felt we could make it to the hotel safely.

We had three members from Chapter G ride down on Thursday so that they could ride the entire ride!

We also had five members from Chapter K who was intent on completing the entire ride. We all met for supper (dinner?) Thursday evening in Henderson for a kick off for the ride.



Friday morning dawned bright and clear, with excellent riding conditions. Our first meeting point was Ernie's Tavern in Bloomfield, Ky a great place to meet with a bowling alley from the 40's, a specialty ice cream stand and memorabilia from lots of movies and other interesting stuff.



This was to be the meet up point for Chapters A&S and was intentionally chosen to keep us out of the metro area. We had five bikes and a car (that would be me, and that's a story for another day, sigh) make the first leg up.



We made this trip on schedule and met up with members

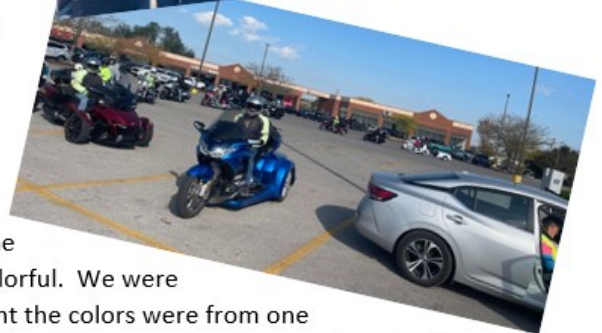


from A & G ! Three members from A and four from G had lunch and made the trip to the next meet up point which was Dry Ridge. This was to be the meeting location for Chapter G and also our motel for the night. We had supper at Kellie's Homestead which offered a wide variety of food.



Saturday was also a bright beautiful day with great driving conditions to our next meeting stop which was Winchester, Ky. We started the ride from Dry Ridge with six bikes and a car. Winchester was the meeting place for Chapter C and we were to have Brunch/Lunch (dinner?) there. The ride across northern Kentucky was beautiful, with abundant scenery to behold! Wow! Were we surprised to find seven members waiting to join the ride!

The second leg of the ride was the largest yet with 12 bikes and a car. We made it to Harlan safe and dry. Even though we had a very large group of riders everyone kept the group together and the ride was scenic and colorful. We were amazed at how different the colors were from one to the other (who knew). Harlan was to be the meeting point if



end of the state
anyone from that part of the state
discussed options for the ride on Sunday contingent to the progress of the weather Saturday night.

wanted to join and was also our motel for the night. We

As Nature would have it we awoke to overcast conditions and no rain ? Looking at various weather apps and radar it appeared that the rain would move north and east and we should be out of the rain by noon. So, we shortened the ride to a direct ride to the lunch location. This proved to be a good decision because an hour into the ride the gates of heaven opened up with torrential rain and wind for 15-20 minutes (course I am sure that it felt like much longer to those that were riding). By the time we made the lunch stop it looked to be clearing. The decision was made to get dry clothes on for some and to have lunch and dry out. DC Diner was chosen for lunch as it was convenient (LOL). The food and service was excellent, and wouldn't you know it, Mother Nature wanted to rain shower, luckily, we were inside eating when this passed thru. The prudent decision was made to keep the stylish rain apparel on after the lunch stop and this proved useful as the intermittent drizzle continued for several more hours (so much for trusting the weather 😊). We returned to the original route and had to go around leaves and sticks on the roads that were left over from the previous storms



have one last really hard

and high winds. The hardy group of travelers reached Oak Grove for the night relatively unscathed and many went to their respective rooms to dry out shoes and clothes. Ahh, the joys of riding motorcycles.



Monday, Day four dawn cool but clear and bright. Everyone was dried out and ready for the short ride to Mayfield to meet up with Chapter Y. Y? because we want to LOL. Of course, we rode the twisties around the lake to eventually cross both bridges. We were intercepted on the road by Dan and he gave us a guided tour of Mayfield and all the round hay bale decorations for Halloween. We had lunch at Majestic and wow, was it good. We were met by four members for lunch and left with eight bikes and a car for the ride back to our starting point in Henderson.



We had eight members make the entire ride:

Bruce & Kathy
Hensley (in a car?)

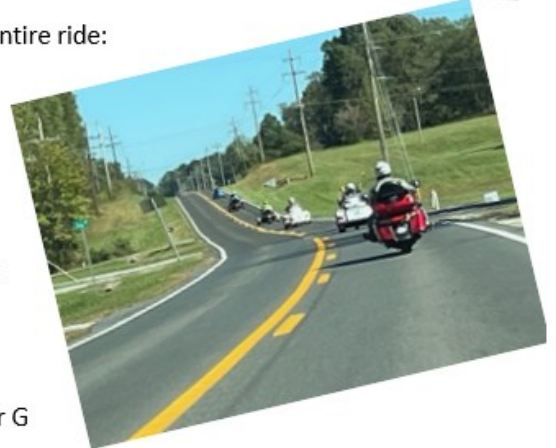
Dean & Cheri Brown
– Chapter K

Lori Adkins – Chapter K

Randy Pommier –
Chapter G

Kim Pommier – Chapter G

Rick Cridlen – State Director



With twenty five riders (25) making one or more legs of the trip!! What a great turn out for the fall ride considering the weather predicted. A great time was had by all and we can't wait to do it again soon!





**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educators

State Educators Report-Continued

Fuel Part 1

Rider education is more than just learning and practicing tips and techniques on how to handle your motorcycle to keep yourself and others safe. It is also about learning how to maintain your health and the health of your motorcycle. One of the many things that is required for good health is a fresh supply of fuel.

By definition, a fuel is:

A combustible matter used to maintain a fire to create heat or power

Something that gives nourishment

An energy source for engines, power plants, or reactors

Something that sustains or encourages

The riders and co-riders of motorcycles, most of whom are human, have varying tastes and needs when it comes to fuel to keep them healthy. But they all share one thing in common, the need for water. The adult human body is in fact up to 60% water. While not a fuel per se, water is consumed by the body and needs to be replenished on a regular basis. Fortunately, modern society provides a plethora of different sources of clean water for human consumption.

Most motorcycles produced today still use gasoline for fuel. Gasoline is a petroleum-derived product comprising a mixture of liquid aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, ranging between C4 and C12 carbon atoms with the boiling range of 30–225°C. It is predominantly a mixture of paraffins, naphthene, aromatics and olefins. Originally gasoline was known as a byproduct of the production of kerosene and discarded by burning or dumping as waste. With the advent of the automobile, gasoline became valuable, and by 1911, more gasoline than kerosene was sold.

Today we have three main grades of gasoline typically available at retail fuel stations: regular, midgrade, and premium. The difference between the grades of gasoline is the octane rating. This rating is an indication of how well the fuel will resist spontaneous combustion inside the cylinder, also known as pre-ignition or engine knock. Some companies have different names for these grades of gasoline, like regular, unleaded, mid-grade, medium, super, premium, or super premium, but every grade will indicate the octane rating. The lowest octane rated gasoline is usually the least expensive, but that does not mean it is the best value. Vehicle manufacturers recommend the grade of gasoline for use in each model of their vehicles. Using a lower rated fuel risks engine damage, while using a higher rated fuel usually does not provide any additional performance.

State Educators Report-Continued



**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educators

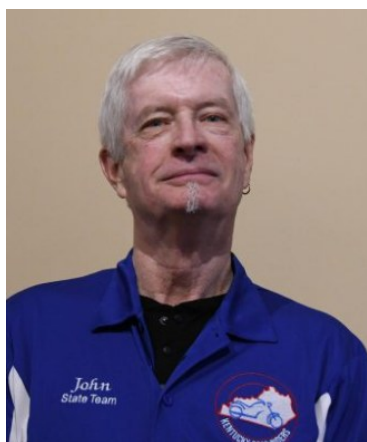
In addition to the grade of motor gasoline, the formulation of gasoline may differ, depending on the location where it is sold or the season of the year. Federal and state air pollution control programs that aim to reduce carbon monoxide, smog, and air toxins require oxygenated, re-formulated, and low-volatility gasoline. Some areas of the country are required to use specially formulated gasoline to reduce certain emissions, and the formulation may change during winter and summer months. These area-specific requirements mean that gasoline is not the same everywhere. Gasoline produced for sale in one area of the United States might not be authorized for sale in another area.

The main difference between winter- and summer-grade gasoline is vapor pressure. Gasoline vapor pressure is important for an automobile engine to work properly. During winter months, vapor pressure must be high enough for the engine to start easily. In the summer, lower vapor pressure is required in many areas to reduce air pollution.

Gasoline evaporates more easily in warm weather, releasing more volatile organic compounds that contribute to health problems and to ground-level ozone and smog. To cut down on pollution, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires petroleum refiners to reduce the vapor pressure of gasoline during the summer.

Be sure to tune in next month for Fuel Part 2.

State Pins and Patches



John Keiter

State Pins and Patches

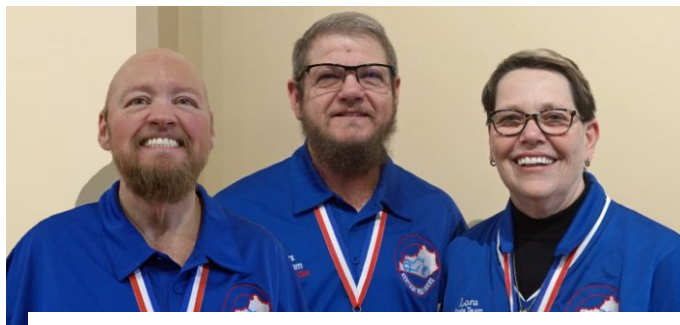
Happy Fall to all of you!

The Winter Warm Up (formerly Ops Mtg) is coming up 1/30 & 1/31. I hope that most of you will be able to attend; it should be a great time. From the posted schedule, I think you do not want to miss it.

Since many of you have stopped, or will stop, riding; now is the perfect time to fix all those items that you've put on the back burner. Next riding season will be here before you know it, so get everything fixed!

As always, if you need anything for your vest, just let me know. Please think about wearing some kind of hearing protection next year; you only get one pair of ears!

Membership Enhancement Coordinators



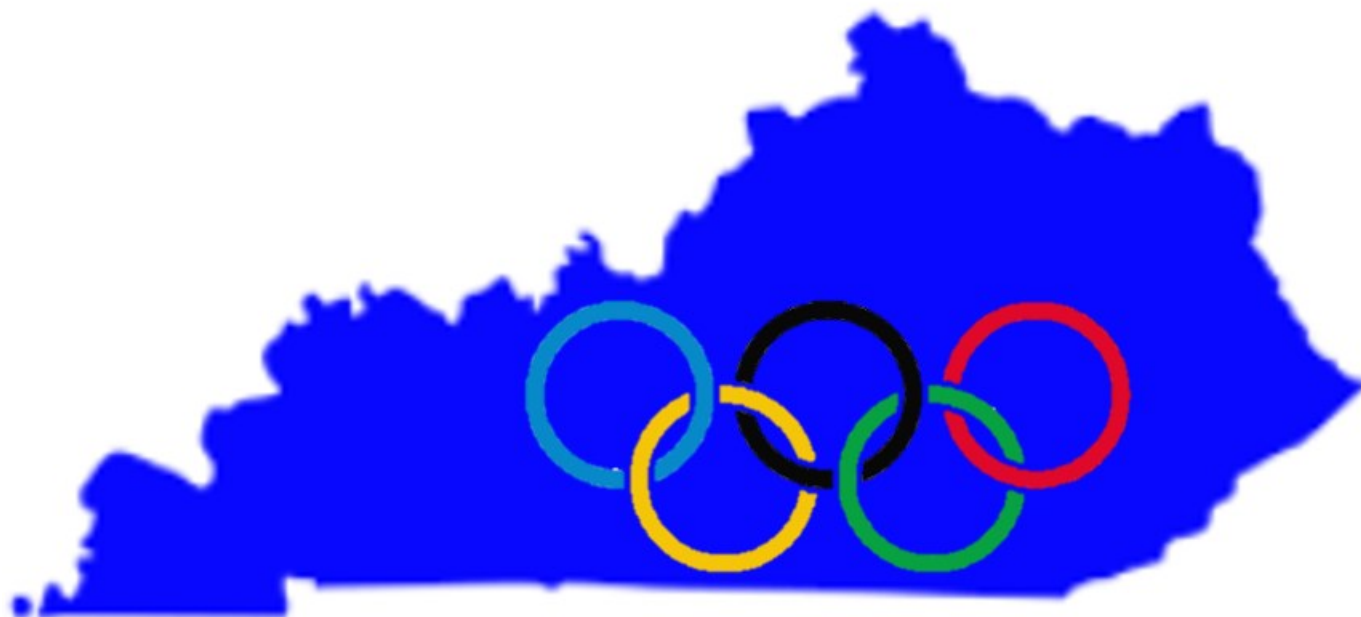
Dean & Lora Miller & Miles Justice

State MEC

Best of all, incredible fellowship with members from across the state. This was definitely the highlight of the trip for me. KRR has a wonderful group of members and I feel blessed to have made so many amazing friends with whom I get to ride. Although not everyone was able to participate in the ride, I am grateful for all those who did join. Hopefully, we will be able to have another state ride next season as well.

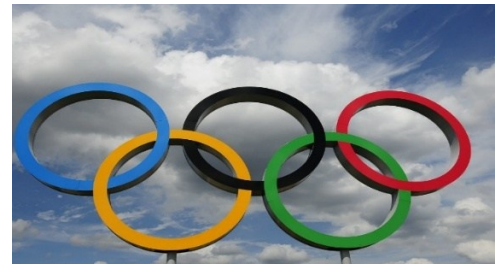
Rick and Leah have just sent on information on room reservations for the upcoming Ky Winter Warm Up (January 30 and 31) that will be shared by your Chapter Directors soon. I expect this to be a wonderful no-bike gathering for fellowship and learning with our KRR friends. There will be games, food, educational and planning sessions, and a fun evening activity. Additionally, MEPC will be sharing updates to the Newsletter Competition and the COY/IOY program. I hope everyone plans to attend this newly-revamped event.

As always, if anyone has ideas/suggestions for ways in which we can improve your enjoyment of your membership in KRR, please feel free to submit those anytime to mepc@kyroadriders.org. See you soon!





Kentucky Road Riders Winter Warm Up 2026 KY Olympics



When: Saturday, January 31, 2026, 5:30pm - 10pm

Where: Burlington Historical Courthouse, 2988 Washington St, Burlington, KY 41005

Hotel: Comfort Suites, 5905 Merchants St., Florence, KY 41042

Rooms \$99.00 per night, includes full breakfast buffet, pets are welcome and indoor swimming pool

Reservation cut off is January 23, 2026

Group Name: KY Road Riders Group Number AK73T5

2026 is the Winter Olympics for the world....Why not have our own
Winter Olympics KRR style?

Opening Ceremonies, Team Selection, Teams Dinner, Games, Awards and Closing Ceremonies will keep us busy all night long

Dinner: Kentucky Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Biscuits, Dessert and Drinks

Cost is \$25.00 per person

Friday Night, January 30th - Pizza Party and the Charitables Band – 6:00pm – 10:00pm

Cost is \$5.00 per person

Please circle your pizza toppings: Pepperoni – Sausage – Onions – Green Peppers – Mushrooms – Green Olives – Black Olives – Banana
Peppers – Ham – Pineapple – Plain Cheese

Registration Information

Friday Night Pizza Party \$5.00 x _____ Saturday Night Olympics & Dinner \$25.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Rider: _____

Rider/Co-Rider: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

State/Chapter: _____

Make Checks payable to: Kentucky Road Riders.

Mail Registrations to: Rick and Leah Cridlin, 1601 Drake Ct., Hebron, KY 41048 PH: 859-534-5292

Venmo - @Leah-Cridlin

I/We agree to confirm and comply with the ideas governing this event and we further agree to hold harmless JMC Rider, co-sponsoring organizations or any property owner(s) for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/We may become involved by reason of/or participation in the event. I/We agree to assume responsibility for any property which we damage or destroy. I/We have read and understand these terms.

Rider: _____

Rider/Co-Rider: _____

Date: _____

For Sale

Garage kept 2014 Honda GL1800 Audio Comfort Goldwing with Roadsmith trike kit. With only 60,195 miles, this "Batwing" is a combination of flat and gloss black and is a sleek looking bike. Rear tires have less than 500 miles, new battery, fresh oil change, and all maintenance records including the 48,000 mile service. Wired with XM satellite receiver and GPS. Vortex

windshield. Asking \$24,000 or best offer. His & hers intercom and stereo wired helmets also available at \$350 each or \$600 for both.

Come see this one!

Call 859-750-4328



For Sale

Honda Goldwing 2002, 1800cc, 96128 miles, - \$5500.00 Illusion Red, excellent condition, serviced ready to ride.

Contact Charlie Hobbs—859-802-6931

New front tire at 94891 miles, replaced hydraulic fluids at same service. rear tire at 84845 miles (service papers with bike). Lots of chrome, hand guards, mounted GPS, CB, highway pegs, belly pan, Honda service Manuel, 2 half covers, dust cover, front tie down strap. I would not hesitate to take this bike on a cross country trip. If wanted a spare rear end assembly from a trike conversion.



For Sale

2000 Goldwing 1500SE 25th Anniversary Special Edition

This well kept bike runs great and has only 53,000 miles. Asking \$4500.00

For more information contact Kevin Donohoo (859)620-5758

or email at khdonohoo@twc.com.



2012 Lee-sure Lite Excel Camper

Extras include: A/C kit with new A/C, factory foam mattress plus a queen size air mattress, extended hitch with large mobility wheel, fiberglass front pod for storage, full travel cover (black), rain cover, new awning with poles. All canvas screen and zippers in great shape and body and mechanics in great condition.

Asking \$4400.00

Call 859-750-4328



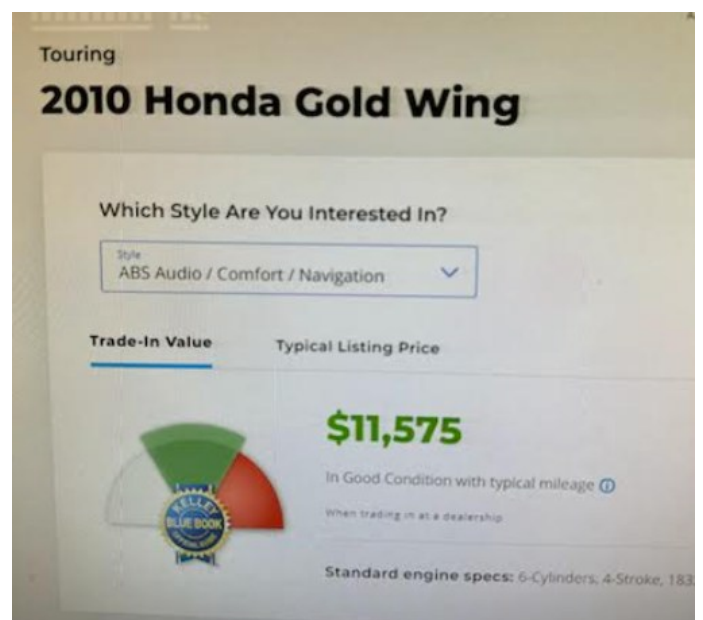
Goldwing for Sale

2007 with 53,000 miles, owner is asking \$12,000 for the bike and trailer. His number is 618-294-1399



Goldwing for Sale

2010 Goldwing Motorcycle For Sale, Comfort Audio ABS and airbag. Excellent condition. 19,900 miles. Garage kept every day. Blue Book Value is \$11,500, but I will accept any reasonable offer. Must see to appreciate. If interested, contact Tom (Luanne's brother). Phone number: (513) 236-7242 (text or call).



2004 Honda Shadow Aero for Sale

The 2004 Honda Shadow Aero 750 is a cruiser motorcycle known for its shaft drive, a 745cc liquid-cooled V-twin engine, and a low 24" saddle height, offering a comfortable and stylish riding experience. Handlebar CB, backrest, and luggage rack included. This is a fun and easy to ride cruiser. Asking \$3000 For more information, contact Donita by text at 859-391-9863 or by email at donitarenzo@gmail.com



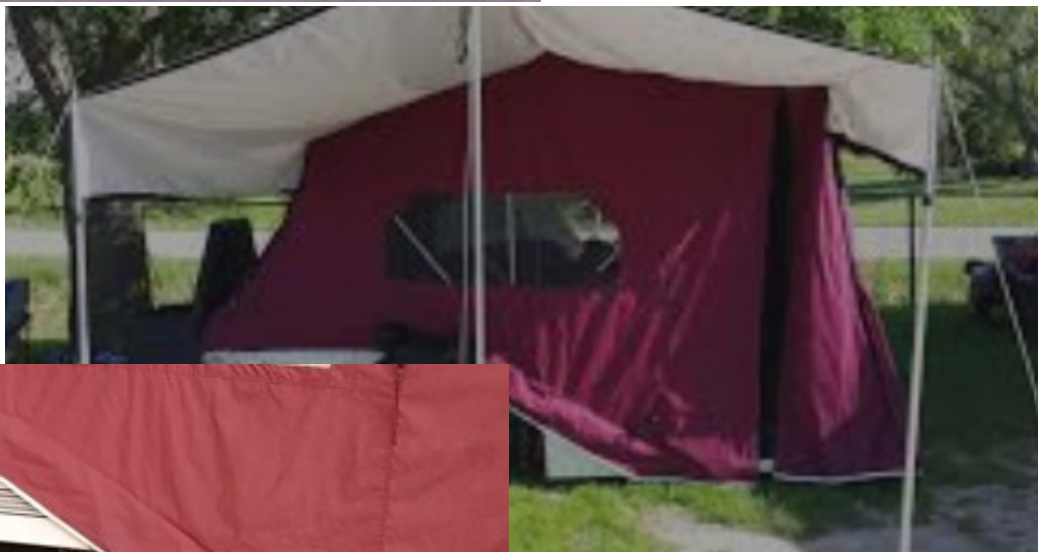
Well-Loved Lee-sure Lite Camper

Plastic front pod for storage and storage box underneath / Rain guard / Good Tires/ Awning / Custom Camper cover included

Asking \$3200.00

Contact Pam by **text** at (859)750-8901

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	<u>Chapter A—Louisville</u>	Meets the 2 nd Saturday Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Road #7 Louisville, KY 40065 Eat at 11:00 am—Meet at 12:00pm
	<u>Chapter C—Lexington</u>	Meets the 3rd Saturday Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd. Lexington, KY 40509 Eat at 11:00am—Meet at 12:00pm
	<u>Chapter G — Northern KY</u>	Meets 2nd Tuesday American Legion Post 4 8385 US Hwy 42 Florence, KY 41042 6:00pm Bring your own dinner to eat and socialize—Meet at 7:00pm
	<u>Chapter K—Henderson</u>	Meets 1st Saturday Echo Lanes 1698 Second St. Henderson, KY 42420 Meet at 11:30am (CT)— Eat at 12:00pm (CT)
	<u>Chapter S — Elizabethtown</u>	Meets 1st or 2nd Sunday (check State Calendar) Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701 Eat at 4:00pm—Meet at 5:00pm
	<u>Chapter T — Paintsville</u>	Meets 3rd Saturday Giovanni's Pizza 261 Court St., Paintsville, KY Eat at 5:00pm—Meet at 6:00pm
	<u>Chapter Y—Mayfield</u>	Meets 1st Thursday Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S 6th St Mayfield, KY 42066 Eat at 6:00pm—Meet 7:00 (CT)

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State Newsletter

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Ride Safe

Be Safe

Visitation is on!

**We can't wait to see you at
the next gathering!**

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www.kyroadriders.org



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You will also learn about upcoming rides.

