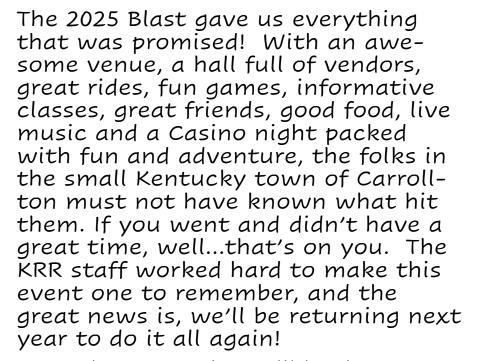
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Inside Kentucky

Rockin'... Rollin'... and Riding We Did It All in Carrollton



Roger has some incredible photos on the State Website at: www.kyroadriders.org. Make sure to go there and look for your smiling face, and don't forget to make plans to do it all again next August.





Links of Interest

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State Directors Report



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky State Directors

What a Blast! I certainly had a great time at this year's rally, and from the looks on people's faces I'm sure others did too. Leah and I want to thank everyone who attended and contributed to making this year's rally a success. We want to extend an extra special thank you to our staff, who worked hard behind the scenes, and during the rally, to make it turn out so well. This year's venue worked so well for so many reasons, but it also created a few challenges that we weren't used to. The biggest one was that we weren't allowed to bring in any food or drinks, to include water. We have always provided coffee, tea, and water, as well as snacks at all our previous rallies, and we were really concerned that this may turn into an issue with those attending.

To our surprise, this wasn't an issue, at least it wasn't anything that we heard negative comments about. We have heard that there were some issues with the lodge, and we are asking everyone who experienced an issue to share that with us, and we will address it with the management of the park. As of this writing, we are planning to return to General Butler again next year, and we want to make sure that the issues are taken care of. Thank you again to everyone who participated. You are the reason for the success, and you are really appreciated.

Many of you know that Leah had surgery on her neck right after the Blast, and I'm pleased to report that she is doing very well. She is a really good patient and follows her doctor's instructions to the letter, which works wonders for her recovery. She still has a way to go before she is back to full strength, and her riding season has come to an end for this year, but we expect her to be back to herself by the Winter Warm Up. Winter Warm Up? What is that you ask? Well that is the new name for what was previously known as the Ops Meeting. We've come to realize that there is a whole lot more going on than just an operations meeting, and we became concerned that many of you felt that a meeting was only for the Officers and Staff, or that it would be boring. The past few years have been anything but that. Yes we do meet and share ideas, but we also have I lot of fun. We have had a Hockey Game, a Prom, an evening of Horse Racing at Turfway Park, a Murder Mystery, an Escape Room, and who knows what we'll come up with next. The point is that there is so much more than just a meeting, so we wanted to change the name to reflect that. We also want to encourage everyone to attend as it is also time to plant the seeds for what you would like to see in the coming year. This year's event will be at the Historic Courthouse in Burlington, which has proven to be a perfect venue. Check out our website at www.kyroadriders.org for the latest information.

State Directors Report—Continued



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky State Directors

Speaking of our website, have you visited it lately? Roger Early has done a fantastic job of keeping it updated and has posted pictures from this year's rally. Go check it out.

Riding season is far from over, and I just returned from a trip to Pigeon Forge, where I was joined by John Eicher, the Chapter G director, for a couple of days riding some great roads. Nothing I hadn't ridden before, but it was all different riding the new bike. I won't bore you with telling you what a great experience that was, but I will let you know that I experienced a whole new perspective riding through Smoky Mountain National Park, the Foothills Parkway, the Dragon, and the Cherohala Skyway on Honda's latest edition of the Goldwing. Mother Nature gave her full cooperation, with the temperatures being perfect for riding.











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Dan and Rita Bondurant

Assistant Directors

Assistant Directors Report

Well I have to say if you missed the 2025 KY Blast you missed a fun time with GREAT WEATHER, fun times and fun rides. But if you DID MISS OUT not to worry you can make plans to attend next year as we are going back for more fun!! We want to thank Rick and Leah for all the hard work putting together the Blast. I missed out on the bike games but hear they were a lot of fun.

It's the time of year for farmers to start getting their crops out and that means equipment on the road and also mud and or dirt clods. But the weather will be getting nicer for riding so get out and enjoy it. Maybe get out and visit another Chapter or take an overnight ride.

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



Bruce and Kathy Hensley

State Ride Coordinators

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Ah, the changing of the seasons. For Kentucky and the surrounding areas it has been the seasons, of Cold (Brrr), then Wet (and I mean really wet), and hot (did I say Hot, I meant really really HOT) But now, when it should be the hottest part of our riding season, and just after one of the best, most fun, hilarious, did I say best, but HOTTEST Blasts that we have had......we are blessed with below average temperatures and dry weather (not that I am complaining). I hope that everyone is taking advantage of the great weather to ride.

We hope to continue to have this great weather thru the end of the season. Hopefully this will be the weather for the Fall Leaf Peeping Ride that we will have the third week of October. The tentative start date is Friday October 17th. More details to follow. I will post (with Roger's help, on the State Website and also post on the KRR Facebook page.

Till then, above all, be safe and watch out for each other.

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Bruce and Kathy Hensley

State Ride Coordinators

Leaf Peeper Update



The Fall Leaf Peeper Ride is well into the planning process and completed details will be released soon. Dates for the ride are October 17 thru the 20th, so mark your calendars and get ready to ride!!!

The ride will depart from Henderson, KY and will follow a scenic loop around the whole state. This is a ride to <u>RIDE!</u> Lots a beautiful Kentucky backroads and hopefully a ton of Fall color will be the main attraction! There will be three overnight stays along the way and the ride will end on Monday 10/20 back in Henderson, KY.

If you are a Kentucky Passport enthusiast, you know that to complete the passport, you must complete at least one leg of the State Ride. Make your plans now so you can make it happen.

We are truly blessed to have Bruce and Kathy put in all the hard work to make this happen. Please come out and join the fun, and spend some quality time with some quality people!



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Rick and Kim Artmayer

State Educators

State Educators Report

"It takes a village." How many times have you heard this in your lifetime? How many times have you said it yourself? Commonly, this proverb emphasizes that it takes the collective support of community involvement in the development of a child to be happy, healthy, and well-adjusted. Uncommonly, I think this phrase can also be used in consideration of any personal or group development. This month let us explore and reflect on this idea to get a sense of its meaning.

The root of this idea is in the word community. From Dictionary.com we find the following information (edited for space considerations):

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noun

a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common. the people of a district or country considered collectively, especially in the context of social values and responsibilities.

a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals.

From the Merriam-Webster we also get similar information:

a unified body of individuals: such as the people with common interests living in a particular area

a body of persons of common and especially professional interests scattered through a larger society

And from the Cambridge Dictionary:

the people living in one particular area or people who are considered as a unit because of their common interests, social group, or nationality

When I was researching this month's article, I also came across the following chart that shows the use of the word community in various written forms of communication during the last few hundred years.



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Rick and Kim Artmayer

State Educators

State Educators Report-Continued

I joined GWRRA KY Chapter G in 2009 because I was looking for a group of people with whom I could ride and learn about motorcycles and motorcycling. I had been to a few rallies, but to each one I went by myself, because I only wanted to take advantage of the demo rides the factories offered there. And I had never camped (not even once) until I joined Chapter G. I had no idea what to expect or what to bring or how to act.

In each instance above, I had no idea that what I would learn, that what was really going on in these activities was the very definition of community. People coming together for social interaction, discussion, and camaraderie. People always willing to offer assistance when it was needed, and willing to pool and share resources so no one was left at a disadvantage. Everyone taking their turn at a booth or task so that everyone could experience some fun or relaxation during the event. Everyone willing to use their unique talent to add their one piece so the puzzle was completed without any one person doing all the work.

The KRR 2025 Blast has just been entered into the history books. For me, it was a great experience and a prime example of all three examples of community: camping, rally, and riding. The village this year seemed a little bit smaller, but the willingness of the people to share the work and the resources, to step up when others falter, was still alive. I look forward to the next rally, camping opportunity, and group ride so I can continue to help those in need, and know that if I am the one that needs the help, someone will step up, share their unique talent, and be there for me.



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John Keiter
State Pins and Patches

State Pins and Patches

It's fall, y'all!

The Blast is now behind us, and, for those who came, it was indeed a blast The casino night was a really big hit and, I think, everyone had a great time, Since we will be in the same place next year, I sure hope that you all can join in.

With the sun setting a little bit earlier each day, it's important to verify all your lights are working properly before riding. T-CLOCKS isn't such a bad thing.

Don't forget; I have whatever you might need for your vest. Just let me know!

As always, please don't ride without some form of hearing protection. Gold Wings are pretty quiet bikes, but everything else can wreck your hearing in a short time. Just sayin'

The annual gathering at the courthouse is coming up in January, it's the best way to get an idea of what's in store for the year - plan to join us!



Dean & Lora Miller & Miles Justice

State Member Enhancement

State Member Enhancement

Hello, Kentucky Road Riders! The Blast is in the books and we hope everyone had a fantastic time. We certainly did! Based on comments we have heard, it sounds like people truly had a "blast". Thanks to the Blast Planning Committee and the entire State Staff for their hard work and creativity to make the event such a success!

Thanks to all 13 members who participated in the KRR Bingo state-wide challenge. A special congrats to Donita Nardi for winning the contest and to those 7 participants who completed the Cover All – John and Mary Eicher, Ron Harper, Donita Nardi, Cindy Simpkins, and Jerry and Luanne Williams. Although we are not certain of the particulars, there will be another state-wide riding challenge in 2026.

Also, congratulations to Steve Knode for winning the COY/IOY drawing for the Blackstone Griddle. Thanks to all those who supported this program by purchasing tickets. There are a few additional updates on the COY/IOY program. We are pleased to announce that Jim and Kay Bryan will continue on as State COY for the upcoming year. Additionally, they will now be serving as the COY/IOY Program Coordinators, working in conjunction with the MEPC team of Dean, Lora and Miles. We are also happy to announce that Ron Harper will continue to serve as State IOY for next year. And remember, the COY and IOY mascots are still at play until the end of the year. Please look for further refinements to the COY/IOY program to be unveiled at the Winter Warmup. Our goal is to make the program as fun and exciting for members as possible. 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.



Luanne & Jerry Williams

State Treasurers

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Hi Kentucky Road Riders,

We had a great time at this year's Kentucky Blast!! The weather was hot, but the rides were fantastic. Casino Night was so much fun; the dinner was delicious and the music by The Charitables was wonderful. Thank you to Rick and Leah Cridlin and their staff for organizing this fun-filled event.

We had a fun time playing the games on Casino Night as well as being one of the people behind the scenes for the human slot machine. Lora and Dean Miller created the 2 games – Human Slot Machine and the Dollar Machine (wind tunnel).

We can't wait for next year's Blast at General Butler State Park.

Congratulations to our Kentucky Blast 50/30/20 winners:

Thursday, August 14, 2025

lst Place: Richard Thomassen (Chapter Y) - \$47

2nd Place: Jim Bryan (Chapter K) - \$28

- \$34

3rd Place: Steve Knode (Chapter Y) - \$19

Saturday, August 16, 2025

1st Place: Mary Eicher (Chapter G) - \$68 2nd Place: Dean Miller (Chapter A) - \$40 3rd Place: Cheri Brown (Chapter K) - \$27 Friday, August 15, 2025

1st Place: Chanel Blue (Chapter A) - \$56

2nd Place: Bruce Hensley (Chapter K)

3rd Place: Jerry Williams (Chapter G) - \$22



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State Couple of the Year

These last few days have seen some beautiful weather in the Western Part of the state. We hope all are taking advantage of it and are getting some free time to ride.

The Blast is behind us now and hopefully all had a great time! Thanks go out to Rick and Leah for holding it all together.

Jim and Kay Bryan

State Couple of the Year

During the Hospitality hour and gathering of the COYs, & IOY's, past and present and a few others that attended, we feel there was good discussion regarding the programs. One main take away is that each should be selected that have made a contribution their Chapter. However, this is not saying that they are the only ones contributing. The main take away is that if you are asked, accept the recognition and be proud! The rules regarding mascots have been changed:

Yes, it would be great if the COY or IOY wants to move the mascot to another chapter, by all means, do it, however it is no longer a requirement. When you get the mascot, just follow the directions in its sleeping bag by notifying the proper contacts. You can make the notification to say he will be available at your next Chapter's meeting.

Have fun with the Mascot! It is ok to be a little whacky!



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Ron Harper
State Individual of the Year

State Individual of the Year

The Riding Season

Where did it go you ask? At least I do. I am speaking of the yearly riding season which at my Chapter (G) includes our Wednesday evening ice cream rides. Another yearly tradition, the Kentucky Blast, has already ended for the year. Called "The Bluegrass Blast" in past years, it has been held in various locations in Kentucky. When I joined this group 22 years ago, The Bluegrass Blast was held for two or three years in Paducah, KY. I remember the location was changed every few years to cities such as Bowling Green, Frankfort, Sommerset, and Danville. This year it was held in Carrollton.

During the Blast various activities take place from guided rides to team challenges and games are all part of the event. In recent years a theme for the rally has really livened things up with a Luau, a Roundup, a Hippie Bash, and this year, a Casino Night. I really had a great time this year rockin' and rollin' at the roulette table, and I have to say, the more you get involved, the more fun you will have.

Along with all the other activities going on at the Blast, there is the announcement of the State Couple and Individual of the year. This is one of the fun programs that we have held on to over the years to recognize people who make a difference to our group. Each Chapter names their COY and IOY and those people become eligible to compete for the position on a State level. This year I am proud to say that I was named State IOY for a second year. To me, it is an honor to be given such a title. The position encourages chapter visitation, meeting new people, and making lots of new friends. There really is very little responsibility other than to just have fun and represent KRR. So, if you are ever given the opportunity, throw your hat in the ring and go for it! You won't be disappointed.



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Leah Cridlin

KRR State Director

Winner, Winner, Chicken Dinner & Beef

It was so great to see everyone at the Blast last month. We had such a great time and it looked like everyone else did too. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for attending.

Our Casino night was full of laughter, music, fun and winning! I believe most everyone attended. The Charitables Band was excellent! I heard singing, I saw dancing and loads of smiles on faces all around the room. Everyone was spending their poker chips and playing games to try to win the variety of prizes we had available. It was definitely a casino atmosphere!

The prize winners include:

Angela Wind: IMC Rider Membership (Gifted to Chris Davis)

John Eicher - KRR T-shirt and Sweatshirt

Jeff Hinkle - Revzilla \$100 Gift Card sponsored by Skymed

Leslie Hare - \$50 Cash Karen Risen - \$100 Cash

Bruce Hensley - Registrations to the Winter Warm Up, The Ride In and the 2026 Blast

I want to specifically thank the Blast Committee for all of their hard work and dedication to make this event possible. Dean and Lora Miller, Donita Nardi and Ron Harper. The Blast weekend could not have happened without their creativity, dedication and hard work. You all are invaluable to this organization.

We hope you all enjoyed the vendors. It was so nice to see the room full of opportunities to shop for some unique gifts and treasures to take home. I know I always take this opportunity to look for door prizes for the chapter gatherings. I hope you did too.

Steve Knode won the Blackstone Griddle from the COY/IOY Raffle. I think he was happy about that. I know Rick was happy that it was able to go home right away and didn't have to be delivered!

Dean and Lora Miller won the \$300 Grand Prize! How exciting for them!

Donita Nardi won the State Bingo game. She was able to claim the trophy that she has been giving away for years and a \$50 gas card.

In total the State gave away over \$1000 in prizes!!! That doesn't even include the chapter baskets, worker bee gift cards and participation/door prizes. Our state membership is generous in the giving of their time, talents and donations. When we say we couldn't do it without you, we really mean it!

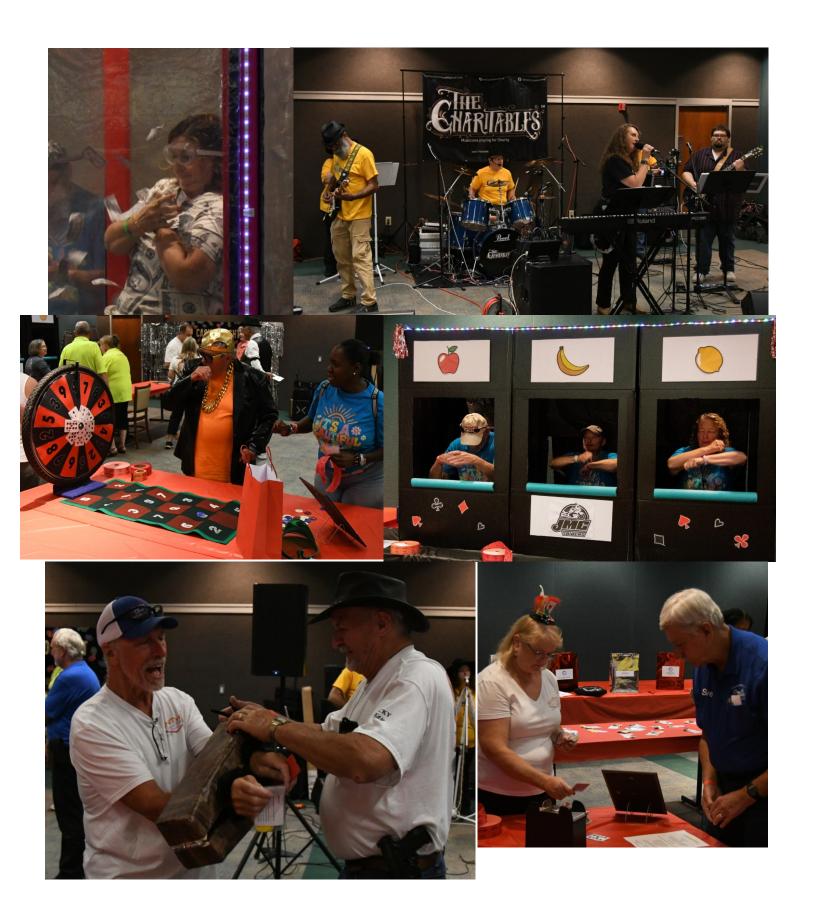
As they say, this event is in the books....we are already thinking about next year and how to create another fun event to keep everyone involved and coming back. We will be back at General Butler. Date will be announced soon.

Enjoy September....fall and beautiful riding weather is here! Till next time friends.

Leah







Check out all the pix on the website!!!

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 and stereo wired helmets also available at \$350 each or \$600



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

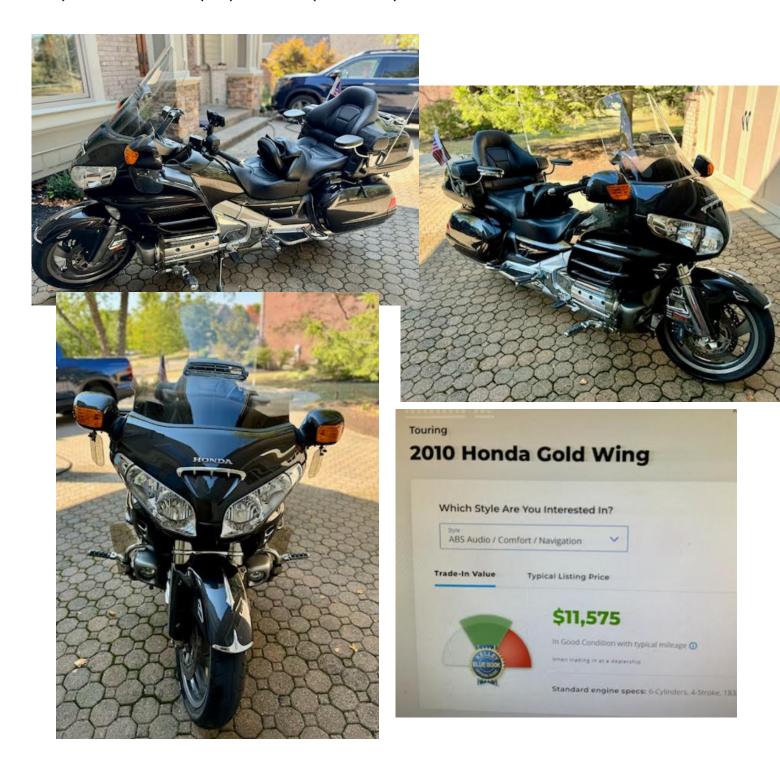
2007 with 53,000 miles, owner is asking \$12,000 for the bike and trailer. His number is 618-294-1399





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 Or by **email** at hainespm7035@gmail.com





GET THE SHIRT!!

Kentucky Road Riders now have a ride shirt! You can have it monogrammed on the right side of the chest with whatever you would like. Small to extra-large are \$14, and XXL are \$17. An added monogram will cost \$5. Shirts can be ordered at: https://blankstore.club/shop/ols/products/xn--gildan---dryblend-50-cotton50-poly-short-or-long-sleeve-t-shirt-vpcl You can also get it in a long-



For Sale

BRAND NEW DIAMOND SEAT a friend ordered a new Diamond seat, backrest and passenger backrest and rode for part of one day and didn't like it. He took it off and put his old seat back on. I can't believe it but he did lol. I'm on my 3rd Diamond seat and love them. This one fits the Gen 1 and he is only asking \$600 and that's CHEAP!!

Contact Dick Fraser

270-703-3874

Weider elec vest size 48 and a XXL Weider elec vest with sleeve chaps for sale!! Great condition asking \$75.00 each. Can bring to the Opps meeting on the 27th.

Contact Dan Bondurant 270-705-0307



Brand new ladies vest, size XL, with Gun Vest pocket. Asking \$30.

Men's size Large Goldwing Jacket, medium weight, asking \$10.

If interested, please contact Judy at:

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	Chapter C—Lexington	Meets the 3rd Saturday Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd. Lexington, KY 40509 Eat at 11:00am—Meet at 12:00pm
Northern Kentucky	Chapter G — Northern KY	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
R SON WILLIAM SON	Chapter K—Henderson	Meets 1st Saturday Echo Lanes 1698 Second St. Henderson, KY 42420 Meet at 11:30am (CT)— Eat at 12:00pm (CT)
Ensystem, N	Chapter S — Elizabethtown	Meets 1st or 2nd Sunday (check State Calendar) Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701 Eat at 4:00pm—Meet at 5:00pm
THE A THE	<u>Chapter T — Paintsville</u>	Meets 3rd Saturday Giovanni's Pizza 261 Court St., Paintsville, KY Eat at 5:00pm—Meet at 6:00pm
KENTUCKY ROAD RIDERS	Chapter Y— Mayfield	Meets 1st Thursday Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S 6th St Mayfield, KY 42066

Eat at 6:00pm—Meet 7:00 (CT)

State Newsletter

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KY State Directors

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

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