



An Organization of “Friends, for Fun, Safety, & Knowledge”.

July 2025 Newsletter

Check us out on Facebook @ Chapter K-KY Road Riders, Henderson, Ky!!

Chapter K has their own website!! Check it out @
<https://kyroadriders.org/chapterk/>

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Jim & Kay Bryan

MEC (Membership Enhancement Coordinator): Dean & Cheri Brown

Couple of the Year!

Tony & Debi Cagle

State Couple of the Year !

Jim & Kay Bryan

We meet on the First Saturday of the Month at 12:30 CT.
Diamond Echo Lanes, 1698 Second St, Henderson, Ky

Walk ins are welcome. Come join the fun!! Have a friend that might be interested? Give them a copy of this Newsletter and invite them to come and check us out.

From the Chapter Directors Corner:

What a riding season this has been, at least for those of us in Western Ky. First there was rain every other day and now heat in the high nineties. It makes it difficult and sometimes dangerous to plan a ride. Plan accordingly. More frequent stops and longer rest times are needed and watch each other closely for signs of heat stroke, heat exhaustion or other maladies that can be brought on by this excessive heat.

On another safety note; my heart goes out to the bikers in Grayson County that were injured by the recent road rage incident. What is wrong with people anymore? It seems common courtesy is not in vogue anymore. Even with you and your co-rider watching out for potential hazards there is no way to predict this kind of idiot. Be safe and watch out for each other.

Chapter Rides:



All those who wander are not lost (they may just be looking for some really good ice cream 😊)



Events, Rides, and associated Goings Ons.....



The State Ride In

The 2025 Ride In was hosted by Chapter Y in Mayfield. It was held on June 6th and 7th at Ky Dam Village.



There was a large crowd in attendance with many driving due to the rain forecast for all weekend. However, Chapter K had three bikes and a car in attendance with a total of eight members in attendance.



Groups rides were held each day. Chapters Y and K both held their monthly meeting during the Ride In.



Casey IL & Hershey Museum, Robinson, IL. June 21

Casey IL is home to everything BIG. The largest mailbox, the largest manure fork, the largest mouse trap and the list goes on.



We had lunch at the Moonshine Burger. This is a ride of its own! What an interesting place.



On the way, we stop in Robinson IL at the Hershey Museum for candy and goodies.

HT's Ice Cream Ride



Three bikes and a car rode to HT's in Henderson for Sandwiches and Ice Cream and then took a short ride in the country. It was a very nice afternoon to ride.



Future Rides:

Hell to Heaven Ride. July 11-13

Hell for Certain Road to Kingdom State Park

Day 1: Henderson to London KY. Overnight in London

Day 2: Hell to Heaven Ride with a stop at Chained Mountain before returning to London for the night.

Day 3: Return Ride to Henderson

Approximate miles: 720 mi

Hotel Accommodations: Comfort Inn 606-767-5291

Mi Pueblito Mexican Restaurant, Calhoun, KY. July 17

Ride to eat.

Storm the Mountains, Big Bone Gap, VA. July 30-August 3

The ride to get to Big Bone Gap will be half the fun. The event is for all types of vehicles: two-wheelers, trikes, slingshots, cars, jeeps, etc.

They have a block of rooms (not available online) at the Quality Inn & Suites (276) 523-5911 and tekk you are with the Slingshot groups.

More information available at www.stormthemountains.com.

Lambert's Sikeston Missouri Ride to Eat. July 26

Details to be announced at a later date

Patoka Lake Wildlife Cruise. August 6

10am-12pm EST Rain or shine. Will carpool in case of rain.

\$25 for adults. Will need to make reservations

A stop at Patoka Lake Winery and Restaurant afterwards

Paris Tn, Big Sandy Ferry, Fat Daddy's Tiki Hut & The Trace. Sept 13-14

This is a repeat of last year's ride. Some people have expressed an interest in doing it again.

Day 1: Big Sandy Ferry via Paris then a afternoon stop at Fat Daddy's Tiki Hut on the shores of Kentucky Lake for eats and music. Return to our hotel in Paris. Everyone can choose their own restaurant.

Day2: A ride up the length of the Trace. Lunch in Grand Rivers and a Kentucky scenic back country ride back to Henderson.

Route 70 Ride. October 10-12

Planned and led by Charles Friedman

Details to be announced at a later date

Stay tuned to Facebook for pop up rides thru the week 

Rider Education Report

By: Richard Artmayer

With the return of favorable weather, most of us have gotten back to riding. Many of us like to ride in groups, enjoying the hobby we love with others of like mind. Group motorcycle riding is a philosophy that emphasizes a blend of safety, communication, and camaraderie while simultaneously requiring riders to be aware of their surroundings, to maintain proper spacing, and to communicate effectively. It is about riding as a team, where everyone relies on and respects each other to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

Here are some important points of group motorcycle riding philosophy:

Safety: proper spacing, staggered formations, and awareness of road conditions.

Communication: hand signals and CB/Bluetooth communication to alert other riders about changes in speed, direction, or potential hazards.

Responsibility: realizing that each rider is responsible for their own safety and the safety of the others in the group.

Respect: acknowledging and collaborating with the leader, the group, and other road users.

Having fun: emphasizing the shared experience and camaraderie of riding together, while maintaining safety and respect.

Group riding is an active, constantly changing, and dynamic event. Conditions on the road are always in flux due to traffic, road conditions, actions from other users, and natural occurrences such as weather and animal activity. This requires a foundation of trust among the participants in the ride. Group riding does not excuse the rider from sound judgement or safe practices. Each rider is responsible for his own decisions, regardless of the group dynamic.

There are several ways each rider can provide the respect and consideration he expects from the others in the group. It is important to maintain lane position especially in tight turns and in traffic. Riders on the inside of a right-hand turn should try their best to stay on the right side of the road, especially when turning from a stop, as at an intersection. At stop signs and traffic lights, the group should collapse together, with each rider moving up next to the person ahead. Proper lane position will normally allow enough room for a bike and a trike to stop next to each other. Close formation at a stop allows the group to get through the intersection in less time, reducing the exposure of all the riders to cross traffic and left turning vehicles.

Remember that your actions have consequences. Every time you brake (for an obstacle or entering a turn), accelerate, or decelerate, you immediately affect ALL of the riders behind you. Any sudden action you make will require a sudden reaction from ALL of the other riders. Always do your best and signal your intentions well ahead to avoid causing panic among those riders who are following you.

Be aware of the differences in the vehicles in your group. Generally, if a vehicle participating in the group ride has less than three wheels, that vehicle will have a great deal of difficulty staying upright without rider input. And the slower that vehicle is moving, the more rider input is required. Group rides these days usually consist of more multi-wheeled vehicles than two-wheeled motorcycles. Many of the operators of these multi-wheeled vehicles were skilled riders of two wheels. Maybe this describes you. Do you remember riding on two wheels and the effort it took to keep the bike balanced and smooth during slow speed operation?

We all know we should ride our own ride, and we are responsible for our own actions. But this does not mean that you can do what you want without regard to the effects on other road users. We all have responsibility to each other when we interact on the highway, regardless of the setting. Using the highway is a privilege, not a right. Be respectful and patient so we all get along and arrive alive.

Upcoming Events:

THE BLAST !!



Kentucky Road Riders 2025 KY Blast District Rally August 14-16, 2025

Casino Fun! *Ridin! - Rockin! - Rollin!*

Join Kentucky for our 3rd Rally with Wing'D Rider

Vendors - Games - Wingo - Ice Cream Social

Couple/Individual of the Year Selection

Daily 50/30/20 - IOY/COY Social Hour - On Bike Games

RPM Academy Classes - Team Challenges & Daily Rides

There is really something for EVERYONE!

Accommodations:

General Butler State Resort Park (502)502-4384

1608 KY 227, Carrollton, KY 41008

Group Name: Kentucky Road Riders 6977

Double Rooms \$139.95.00 Thursday night + tax

Friday & Saturday \$154.95 night + tax

1,2 & 3 Bedroom Cottages Available:

Contact Leah for pricing

General Butler State Resort Park

Campground (502) 732-4826

Website Reserve America

1608 KY 227, Carrollton, KY 41008

From \$35.00 per night

Grand Prize \$300.00

Tickets \$1.00 each

Pre-order with Registration

Or

Purchase on-site!

Grand Prize given away at Closing Ceremonies

You must be present to win!!!

Registration Information

Rider: _____

WING'D# _____ Exp: _____

Rider/Co-Rider: _____

WING'D# _____ Exp: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

State/Chapter: _____

Miles to Rally: _____ One Up: _____ Two Up: _____

*******Pre-Registration Ends on July 31, 2025*******

For PRE-REGISTRATION and STATISTICAL AWARDS, your registration MUST be postmarked by 7/31/2025.

Registration Fee: \$35.00 x _____ Total: \$_____

2025 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$_____

Is this your First KY Rally? _____

Is this your first Rally of any kind? _____

******* Registration after July 31, 2025*******

Registration Fee: \$40.00 x _____ Total: \$_____

2025 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$_____

Day Passes Sold on-site: \$20.00

Statistical Awards are based upon Pre-Registration

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance by Percentage

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance

Largest District Outside of KY
Longest Distance 1-Up Male/Female
Longest Distance 2-Up Male/Female



Friday Casino Fun :
August 15, 2025
Games @ 6:00pm
Dinner @ 7:00pm

Number attending _____ x \$30.00 each= _____

Casino Fun Night includes:

Buffet Dinner: Tossed Garden Salad, Hot Rolls, Corn Bread & Butter, Roast Beef, Herb Roasted Chicken, Country Green Beans, Roasted Red New Potatoes, California Blend Veggies, Banana Pudding, Cherry Cobbler, Iced Tea, Soft Drinks and Coffee Service

Games: Blackjack, Plinko, KRR Roulette, Human Slot Machine, Cash Air Machine and Horse Racing***

Poker Chips provided to participate in gaming.

*****Horse Racing is the only game to play for a fee.*****

Registration Total: _____

Casino Fun Night Total: _____

Grand Prize Ticket Pre-Purchase: _____

T-Shirt Order Total: _____

Total: _____

Make Checks payable to: Kentucky Road Riders

Mail Registrations to: Rick and Leah Cridlin

1601 Drake Ct.,
Hebron, KY 41048
PH: 859-534-5292

Electronic Payment is accepted.
Contact Leah Cridlin or Luanne Williams



Please circle your size and shirt style:

Short Sleeve Unisex: S - M - L - XL \$15.00 2XL - \$18.00 3XL - \$22.00

Long Sleeve Unisex: S – M – L – XL \$22.00
2XL - \$24.00 3XL - \$26.00

Ladies V-Neck: S - M - L - XL \$15.00
2XL - \$18.00 3XL - \$22.00

Short Sleeve w/pocket: S - M - L - XL - \$19.00 2XL - \$21.00 3XL - 4XL - 5XL - \$24.00

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www.kyroadriders.org

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

Rider: _____

Co-Rider: _____

Date:

For Sale:

Bruce & Kathy have a set of CSC Chrome reverse wheels and tires for sale. Wheels are like new. Of course the tires look like new but do have 50K miles on them.



Birthdays & Special Occasions:

Happy Birthday to Jason & Penny Cowan celebrating on July 18 & 26.

Happy Anniversary to Johnny & Lyn Speight celebrating on July 2nd.

If you know of any Birthdays or Special occasions, please let us know.