



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

November 2025 Newsletter

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<https://kyroadriders.org/chapterk/>

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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:

Ahh, the passage of time....my Mother used to say that time was flying by as she approached the later years in her life. As another used to say the minutes and hours drag but the weeks and months fly by. That seems to be the case for me, especially for October. The Chapter and State had so many fun filled exciting rides planned, the Hell for Certain ride, the Hwy 70 ride and the State Leaf Peeping ride. Rides for everyone, and now they are gone. I can't help but feel a wisp of sadness now that they are passed, but WOW did we have fun riding them.

Now we turn to late fall and early winter, a time of less riding and more giving and sharing. Chapter K has two opportunities for our members to share with those who may now be as fortunate as we are. At the November meeting we are collecting food items for Landon's Hope, a non profit food bank in Sebree that is not supported by county agencies. They do a lot for the local community and especially for veterans.

In December we will be collecting gift cards and food items for the Children's Advocacy Center so that hopefully, at least one family in Henderson will have a brighter Christmas.

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



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



Chapter Rides:

Route 70 Ride. October 10-12

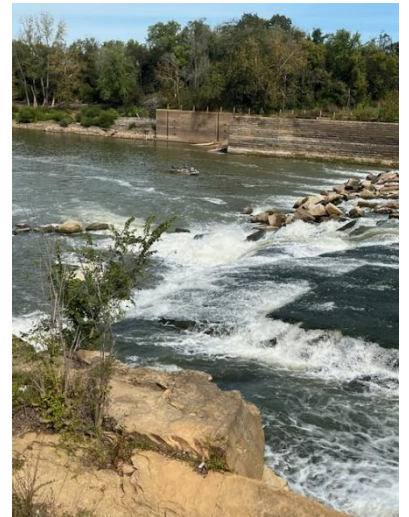
This ride was planned and led by Charles Friedman. We are so glad to have members who step up and volunteer to plan and lead a ride. This takes some of the burden off of Jim & Kay and trust me, our ride schedule for Chapter K is one to be envied across the state. There were five bikes on this trip. We were joined by Charlie and Linda Willett from Chapter O. So we became the OK ride 😊

We rode to Dycusburg to start the Hwy 70 ride, which is down in Chapter Y country (don't know where Dycusburg is? It is a beautiful place). The trip led us across the Green River several times and Charles stopped at Rochester to view the falls. Wouldn't

you know it we found ice cream at a great Pizza Place. We then followed Hwy 70 across the state to Cave City, where we spent the first night and guess what? Storm the Mountain was holding their Fall event so we go to meet up with our own Joe Cain and with Don & Janet Price from Chapter A for supper at Five Broke Girls (very good food). So then

we became the AOK group.

After finishing supper (dinner?) we went to the parade and looked at Slingshots before they left. What beautiful machines.





The second day we rode to the Liberty Park Veteran's Wall, then to the Liberty Bell, where we had lunch at the Liberty Bell Cafe.



The group then decided to swing by Penn's Store, the oldest store in Kentucky and just hang out for a bit.



The third day was spent riding home. What a great trip Charles and Kathy !!

Kentucky Road Riders

State Ride

The Fall Leaf Peeping ride



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.

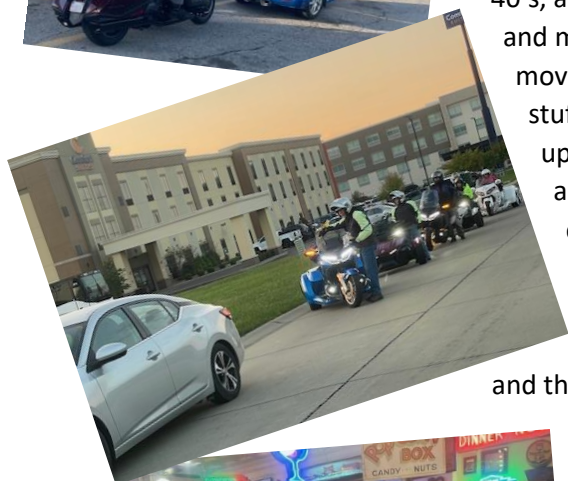
Friday morning dawned bright and clear, with excellent riding conditions. Our first meeting point was Erni's Tavern in Bloomfield, Ky a great place to meet with a bowling alley from the

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 Kelli's 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 end of the state to the other

(who knew). Harlan was to be the meeting point if anyone from that

part of the state wanted to join and was also our motel for the night. We discussed

options for the ride on Sunday contingent to the progress weather Saturday night.



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As Nature would

rain ? Looking

have it we awoke to overcast conditions and no

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 sure that it felt like much longer to

(course I am

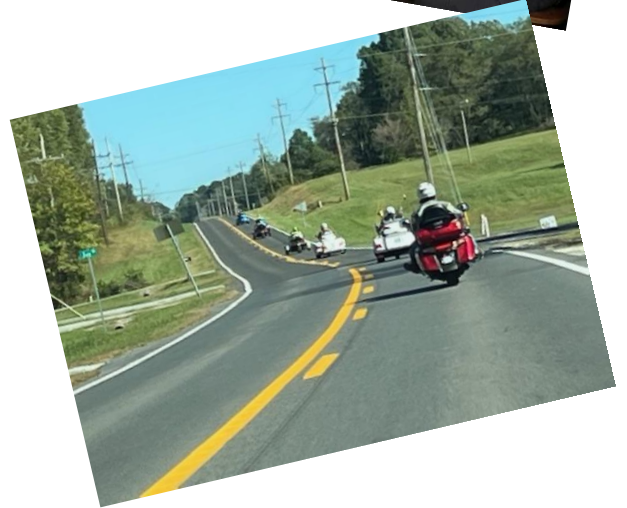
By the time we made the lunch stop it looked to be clearing. The decision was made to get dry clothes on for some and to have lunch and dry out. DC Diner was chosen for lunch as it was convenient (LOL). The food and service was excellent, and wouldn't you know it, Mother Nature wanted to have one last really hard 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 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.



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those that were riding).

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!



Upcoming Events, Rides, and Associated Goings Ons.....

Landon's Hope

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Children's Advocacy Center

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Christmas Parade

The annual Christmas Parade will be held in Henderson on December 6th. More details to follow.

Holiday Get Together

The Holiday get together will be held on January 10th, 2026 @ 1:30 PM, CT. We will host the event as always. More details to be discussed at meeting.



Kentucky Road Riders

Winter Warm up

January 30-31, 2026

Boone County Courthouse

Burlington, KY

Historical Courthouse in Burlington, KY (same as years past)

Theme: Kentucky Olympics (since we have the 2026 world Olympics...let's have some KY fun!)

Friday, January 30th 6:00pm Opening Ceremonies - Pizza Party and.. finalizing the rest of the details

Saturday, January 31st - 8:00am - Let the festivities and games begin

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5:30pm - Team Round Up

6:00pm - Team Dinner (Catered by Kentucky Fried Chicken)

7:15pm - Lighting of the Torch the Games Begin

8:30pm - Refueling (Dessert)

8:45pm - Medal Ceremony

9:00pm - Closing Ceremonies

Cost is \$25,00 per person –

Below is the link to book your room for the KY Warm Up, January 30th and 31st.

The room rate is \$99.00 per night. There are King and double Queen rooms. They are all suites which means there is a sofa, that can become a sleeper. Included in the room rate is a full breakfast buffet. Pets are allowed and there is an indoor pool. There is also a very large area for socializing.

The hotel is located in Florence. It is closer to shopping and dining. I think you will enjoy the new location.

Comfort Suites Florence - Cincinnati South
5905 Merchants St
Florence, Ky 41042
859-488-1708

Group Name: KY Road Riders
Group Number: AK73T5

Stay tuned to Facebook for pop up rides thru the week 🤔

Rider Education Report

By: Richard Artmayer

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:

- 1) A combustible matter used to maintain a fire to create heat or power
- 2) Something that gives nourishment
- 3) An energy source for engines, power plants, or reactors
- 4) 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.

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, reformulated, 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.

For Sale:



2016 Honda Goldwing GL1800 w/California Sidecar
21250 miles

Fresh oil

New Bridgestone Battle Axe front tire

Over size grips

Road pegs

Cup holders

Custom Diamond Motorcycle Seat, Driver & Passenger Back Rest

Price: \$23,500

Contact Johnny Speight

Phone: 270-871-3107

Lumina motorcycle trailer, yr unknown, cargo box is 45" x 27" x17" with carpet. Has battery light +cargo net in the lid of the trailer. Has a small box on the tongue of the trailer. I camped out of it for 15,000 miles without difficulty.

\$750 Sale price

Stan Burgess

270-929-1332

dbins2@gmail.com



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 Charles Friedman – November 14th.

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

If we have missed anyone we are truly sorry, please help us to update our list.