

KENTUCKY ROAD RIDERS STATE NEWSLETTER

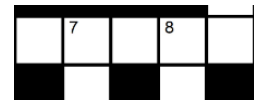


KENTUCKY

Inside Kentucky

Searching for Answers

As The Blast draws near, the window to finish the Kentucky Crossroads Crossword is coming to an end for 2023. Rest assured, a new puzzle will immerge in 2024. To add to the fun, the Camping Coordinators at Chapter G (Rick & Leah Cridlin) pulled off two very successful camping trips with rides to locate and photograph crossword markers. The first weekend trip to Burnside State Park was great fun, with lots of miles and happy hunting through south-central



The 2023 Kentucky Crossroads Crossword is ROLLIN'' See page 11 & 12

Links of Interest

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www.kyroadriders.org

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Kentucky. The second trip to Fort Boonesborough State Park, col-

lected puzzle info from central Kentucky. The riding was beautiful, the camping was great, and the FUN was all around. I hope you will join in the fun next year and participate in this annual adventure.



State Directors Report

Leah and I hope you were able to get out and enjoy July as much as we did. It started with our ride home from Litchfield, IL after attending the first Wing'D Rider Rally. While we were looking for a place to stop for lunch, we stumbled on the town of Casey, IL. Although all the food stops were closed for the day, we discovered that the town was home to many of the World's Largest something or other. A few of them I can remember are the World's Largest Rocking Chair, Bird Cage, Mailbox, and Barber Pole. There were others that just aren't coming to mind right now, but Leah has already started planning to stop there next year, either on the way to the Wing'D Rider Rally, or on the way home. Since we hadn't planned to spend any time sightseeing on our way home, we will need to make that part of the trip planning for next year. From what we could see, it will be well worth it.



**Rick and Leah
Cridlin**

Kentucky State Directors

We ended the month with a camping trip to General Burnside State Park, with a few of our Chapter G friends with the goal of capturing 17 answers to the 2023 Crossword Puzzle Challenge that Donita Nardi and Ron Harper put together for anyone to enjoy. I had completed both the 2021 and 2022 puzzles and had a lot of fun with them, so I was really looking forward to this trip to get started on this year's puzzle. Leah couldn't join me until Friday evening after she got off work, so I spent the day riding 299 miles and finding 9 of the answers. The roads and scenery were absolutely amazing! On Saturday, Leah and I, along with Donita Nardi and Ron Harper set out to get the other 8 answers. I want to point out that Donita and Ron were of no help whatsoever in locating the historic markers. Their integrity remains fully intact as they were literally just along for the ride. They both did comment on how much nicer it was seeing the sites and riding on Donita's trike instead of dealing with the February weather when they made the trip to put together the challenge. So, even though they were of no help in finding the markers, they sure were great company for Leah and I and we had a great time riding even more scenic roads than I had ridden the day before. We returned to camp after riding 229 miles and locating all 8 markers. The weekend ended after riding a total of 902 miles and achieving the goal of getting all 17 puzzle answers I had planned.

I am planning another camping trip to Fort Boonesborough State Park on August 4th, and 5th, where the goal is to complete the remainder of the puzzle. I have site 165 reserved and welcome anyone to join me. It really is hard to put into words how much fun this is!

State Directors Report—Continued

Plans are continuing to gel for the Blast, and we anticipate having a great time. The dates are August 17th through 19th at the Showroom in Danville, KY. All the information, to include how to order your rally shirt(s) can be found on our website at www.kyroadriders.org. You have the option of having your shirt shipped to you or saving the shipping cost and picking it up at the Blast. We have been asked several times in the past about the cutoff for registering. There is no cutoff, and you can show up and register on site. The only thing that must be registered in advance is the Vittles on Friday evening. We have to let the caterer know by August 4th, so the food can be ordered. So come on out and join us, even if you can't make the whole rally.



**Rick and Leah
Cridlin**

Kentucky State Directors

Ride safe and we hope to see you all soon.

BIG FUN COMING TO DANVILLE

The KY Blast is finally here! Will you be joining us in Danville, KY August 17-19, 2023? The state staff has been working hard to make sure you have a good time this year.

Don has planned 4 rides that will allow you to visit Penn's General Store, Perryville Battlefield, Shakertown and an Amish Country market. Danville Visitors Bureau has put together a scavenger hunt of Danville and the surrounding area. You will have lots of opportunities to learn and see a lot of Danville!

We have games, chapter challenges and someone may end up in jail! Will you stay or make bond to get out? Raffle baskets, vendors and 50/30/20, say what? Lots of prizes and money to be won everyday! Make sure to line your pockets with cash to be a big winner at the Round Up!

Don't forget to wear your cowboy hats and boots for our Vittles and Shindig! We will be dancing, singing and have plenty of good eats for everyone.

Did you know...

Danville is the birthplace of the Bluegrass?

Danville is the main setting for the comic Phineas and Ferb and Milo Murphy's Law?

The Great American Dollhouse Museum is a must see event, even for the guys?

Danville has the award winning Wilderness Trail Distillery?

Danville was the first capital of Kentucky?

That your friends are looking forward to seeing you in Danville this year?

It's not too late to register!

State Assistant Directors Report



**Dan and Rita
Bondourant**

Kentucky State Assistant
Directors

Well... hope everyone is getting ready for a fun time in Danville in a couple of weeks! Looks like a lot of great things are planned from classes to fun to riding and of course FOOD AND ICE CREAM!

Well in Dec of 2021 Mayfield nearly was blown away and then July of this year we were almost floated away, making National news again. Luckily we live just south of town and didn't receive any damage either time. But the town is still rebuilding from the tornado and now a lot of flooding.

Folks PLEASE when you go out riding or working in the yard PLEASE HYDRATE!!!

Our neighbor went out and mowed and did some yard work, got really hot and went in to cool off. She collapsed in the floor with a massive heart attack!! They are still not sure she will pull thru! So please be careful and watch out for others when out doing things.

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-vpci> You can also get it in a long-sleeve version.



State Educator Report



**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educator

While researching for this month's article, I found a plethora of statistics for the United States regarding motorcycle safety at www.nhtsa.gov. There are some very interesting tables and charts worth checking out. There is also some good advise on how to stay safe, which I have copied and condensed below.

Motorist Awareness Safe riding practices and cooperation from all road users will help reduce the number of fatalities and injuries on our nation's highways. But it's especially important for drivers to understand the safety challenges faced by motorcyclists such as size and visibility, and motorcycle riding practices like downshifting and weaving to know how to anticipate and respond to them. By raising motorists' awareness, both drivers and riders will be safer sharing the road.

Make Sure You Are Properly Licensed Driving a car and riding a motorcycle require different skills and knowledge. Although motorcycle-licensing regulations vary, all states require a motorcycle license endorsement to supplement your automobile driver's license. To receive the proper endorsement in most states, you'll need to pass written and on-cycle skills tests administered by your state's licensing agency. Some states require you to take a state-sponsored rider education course. Others waive the on-cycle skills test if you've already taken and passed a state-approved course. Either way, completing a motorcycle rider education course is a good way to ensure you have the correct instruction and experience it takes to ride a motorcycle. Of the motorcycle operators involved in fatal crashes in 2021, 36% were riding without a valid motorcycle license.

Practice Operating Your Motorcycle Given the fact that motorcycles vary in handling and responsiveness, be sure to take the time to get accustomed to the feel of a new or unfamiliar motorcycle by riding it in a controlled area. Once you feel comfortable with your bike, you can take it into traffic. Make sure you know how to handle your motorcycle in a variety of conditions (e.g., inclement weather or encountering hazards such as slick roads, potholes, and road debris).

Before Every Ride Check your motorcycle's tire pressure and tread depth, hand and foot brakes, headlights and signal indicators, and fluid levels before you ride. You should also check under the motorcycle for signs of oil or gas leaks. If you're carrying cargo, you should secure and balance the load on the cycle; and adjust the suspension and tire pressure to accommodate the extra weight. If you're carrying a passenger, he or she should mount the motorcycle only after the engine has started; should sit as far forward as possible, directly behind you; and should keep both feet on the footrests at all times, even when the motorcycle is stopped. Remind your passenger to keep his or her legs and feet away from the muffler. Tell your passenger to hold on firmly to your waist, hips, or belt; keep movement to a minimum; and lean at the same time and in the same direction as you do. Do not let your passenger dismount the motorcycle until you say it is safe.

State Educator Report—continued



**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educator

On the Road If you're ever in a serious motorcycle crash, the best hope you have for protecting your brain is a motorcycle helmet. Always wear a helmet that meets U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 218. Look for the DOT symbol on the outside back of the helmet. Snell and ANSI labels located inside the helmet also show that the helmet meets the standards of those private, non-profit organizations. Arms and legs should be completely covered when riding a motorcycle, ideally by wearing leather or heavy denim. In addition to providing protection in a crash, protective gear also helps prevent dehydration. Boots or shoes should be high enough to cover your ankles, while gloves allow for a better grip and help protect your hands in the event of a crash. Wearing brightly colored clothing with reflective material will make you more visible to other vehicle drivers.

Ride Responsibly Experienced riders know local traffic laws - and they don't take risks. Obey traffic lights, signs, speed limits, and lane markings; ride with the flow of traffic and leave plenty of room between your bike and other vehicles; and always check behind you and signal before you change lanes. Remember to ride defensively. The majority of multi-vehicle motorcycle crashes generally are caused when other drivers simply didn't see the motorcyclist. Proceed cautiously at intersections and yield to pedestrians and other vehicles as appropriate. You can increase your visibility by applying reflective materials to your motorcycle and by keeping your motorcycle's headlights on at all times.

Be Alcohol and Drug Free Alcohol and drugs, including some prescribed medications, negatively affect your judgment, coordination, balance, throttle control, and ability to shift gears. These substances also impair your alertness and reduce your reaction time. Even when you're fully alert, it's impossible to predict what other vehicles or pedestrians are going to do. Therefore, make sure you are alcohol and drug free when you get on your motorcycle. Otherwise, you'll be heading for trouble.

Save the Date!!

Please mark your calendars for January 27, 2024 for the Kentucky Road Riders Operations Meeting in Burlington, KY.

Our special event on Saturday night is.....

Going to the Prom!

Your Prom, from back in the day, the Prom you wish you attended or current day Prom.

We will be dancing the night away in style

More details to come at a later date (after the Blast).

Just another reason KRR is the place to be!





**Michael & Dedre
VanHoose**

State Member Enhancement
Coordinators

State Member Enhancement Report

Happy August Road Riders,

We hope all is well with you and your chapters. The Couple of the Year and Individual of the Year selections are now closed. Chapter A has the Individual mascot, Chapter K had the Couple mascot along with the Traveling Plaque. They will all be bringing those to the KY Blast in a couple of weeks.

Chapter Directors, we need you to get the monies together from your couples and individuals for the Solo Stove. We will need to get all that ready for The Blast. Remember that is coming up in 2 weeks in Danville. I know Don Price has put together a great list of rides and hopefully the weather will work with us.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone there and enjoying the good times. The COY and IOY presentations will be on Friday so don't miss out on those. We would greatly appreciate seeing all past and present Couples and Individuals on hand from any state or chapter. That's the FUN part about these folks, they stick together like glue and always have a good time!

The winner of the Newsletter of the Month for the second quarter is Chapter G. Congratulations!

Come out and see us in Danville!

Pins and Patches Coordinator



John Keiter

State Pins & Patches

Welcome summer riders!

This being the August newsletter, that means it's time for the Kentucky Blast You MUST plan on going!

Since we have switched to Wing'D Rider, we now have some new pins for you; they DON'T say GWRRA any more!

The sun is out, the rains are holding off - get out and ride that bike! But.....be sure and wear some hearing protection. It's not the exhaust that'll get ya, but the wind noise. Yes, you can still hear the CB and your music. Once your hearing is shot, you are SOL.

Be well and ride safe-



Kent and Karen Risen
State Couple of the Year and COY Coordinators

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August is here and we can't believe that summer is almost over. We didn't get to ride as much as we wanted but we did have an amazing Alaska land and sea tour that we planned in 2018. With Covid canceling the trip twice in 2020 and 2021 we were finally able to go in 2023!! Alaska was so beautiful, and we had an amazing time! Now we are looking forward to the Kentucky Blast in August in Danville, Ky.

Kent and I have enjoyed being the State Couple of the Year. It has been an honor to work with the State staff and represent our beautiful state of Kentucky but mostly it has been so much fun!! We enjoy traveling to other Chapters and getting to know the Couples and Individuals better. We love seeing everyone out having fun with the Mascots. We are also excited to see the program grow. The only way to make the program grow is through involvement!! So just remember if your Chapter selects you as Individual of the Year or Couple of the Year it is because you like to have fun and you represent your Chapter well. It is an honor to be selected. And even though Kent and I will be giving up our title as State Couple of the Year in August, we look forward to being part of the selection process for a new state couple! And, for the first time EVER we will be selecting a new State Individual of the Year!! We are so excited!

On Friday afternoon at the Kentucky Blast, there will be a "Social Hour". This Social hour is for ALL past and current Couples or Individuals of the Year to attend. The idea is to stay in touch as couples and individuals and to remember that your Chapter selected us because they appreciate us as leaders. We are involved in our Chapter, and we make it FUN!! The State Couple and State Individual will be announced this year at the Friday night event after dinner at the Blast. Please make it a point to attend and welcome our new couples and new individuals. Also, if there is something you like or don't like about the program, please let us know that is how we grow and make things better for everyone and keep having FUN! We hope to see everyone at the Kentucky Blast in August!!

WING'D RIDER RENEWAL

WDRider CHARTER Membership RENEWAL is EASY AS PIE and NO NEED to log into your account, just go to the website and purchase your renewal. I want to call on all of our charter members to renew their membership asap and also to sponsor one NEW member at the same time. Let's get this done as we continue to build the Wing'd Rider Motorcycle Association to be the very best that it can be! "Also new this year is the option to renew for 2 years at a discounted price."



Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Solo Stove that will be raffled off at the KY Blast in August at the Showroom in Danville Ky. Tickets will also be available at the Blast this month if you've missed out. Chances are \$2 and the money raised will go to support the Couple of the Year and Individual of the Year program.

Be In It to Win it!!





2012 Leisure Lite

Camper in great condition with lots of extras. Hitch rack will easily hold a large cooler or air conditioner. Camper has zipper doors on both sides, awning, and add-a-room. Lots of camping gear included. Can be easily pulled behind an 1800 Goldwing. Asking \$4200 or OBO Contact Judy at 859-743-7707 or email judynorris2951@gmail.com

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

October Spook-tacular

The Jack o' Lantern Spectacular is an indescribable event in Louisville, KY. There are 5000 carved pumpkins on display, it is really beyond comprehension. It is at Iroquois Park and the walk is 1/3 of a mile (scooter/wheelchair/stroller accessible). The cost is approximately \$15.00 per person + fees. However, after the new year I will be calling to see if we can get a group rate.

We thought this would be a fun social weekend for the district/state to come together for some low key fun. We would attend the Jack o' Lantern Spectacular on Friday night (13th) and Saturday night the 14th, socialize at the campground.

We have reserved campsites and cabins at the KOA Louisville South Holiday Campground 2433 Hwy 44, E Shepherdsville, KY 40165. 502-543-2041. Reservations are a 3 night minimum, October 12-14, 2023.

For those that don't camp, there are hotels at the exit of the campground. This way the hotel folks can come visit with the campers for socializing. We did not get blocks, but the pricing is very reasonable for you to shop which hotel you prefer to stay. Hotel reservations can be made at any time.

Garden Inn, 130 S Lakeview Dr, Shepherdsville, KY 40165

Best Western 211 S Lakewood Dr., Shepherdsville, KY 40165

Super 8, 275 Keystone Crossroads Dr., Shepherdsville, KY 40165

Motel 6, 144 Joe B Hall Ave., Shepherdsville, KY 40165

If you have any questions, please contact us, 859-534-5292 (h). A deposit is required when making reservations at the campground. They are only holding the campsites/cabins until Jan 1st. October is the busiest month of the year for this campground, we were lucky to get this many sites.

We hope you have interest in joining us. Please let us know when you have made your reservation so we can keep a list of who is attending. If you are local to the area and won't be camping or hoteling and want to attend the Jack o' Lantern Spectacular please let us know that so you can be added for the group ticket pricing.



2023 Kentucky Blast Registration



Kentucky Road Riders 2023 KY Blast District Rally August 17 - 19, 2023

The Showroom, 2405 Lebanon Rd, Danville, KY 40422

Kentucky Round Up

Join Kentucky for the 1st Rally associated with
Wing'D Rider

Vendors- Games - Wingo

Couple of the Year Selection

Daily 50/30/20 – IOY/COY Social Hour

Chapter Challenges

There is really something for EVERYONE!

Accommodations:

Hampton Inn (859)236-6200
100 Montgomery Way, Danville, KY 40422
King&Double Rooms \$119.00 per night + tax
Mention Gold Wing Blast to get the discounted rate.

Chimney Rock Campground (859) 936-0271
Contact Leah for campsites (limited)
220 Chimney Rock Rd
Harrodsburg, KY 40330
\$40.00 per night (14 miles away)

Full Registration Fee Includes:

- Bike Display/Peoples Choice
- RPM Academy Courses
- On Bike Games/Chapter Challenges

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

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 28, 2023******

For PRE-REGISTRATION and STATISTICAL AWARDS, your registration MUST be postmarked by 7/28/2023.

KRR Member: \$35.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Non-Member: \$40.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

2023 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Is this your First KY Rally? _____

Is this your first Rally of any kind? _____

****** Registration after July 28, 2023******

KRR Member: \$40.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Non-Member: \$45.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

2023 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Day Passes Sold on-site: \$20.00

Friday Night Vittles & Shindig: Friday, August 17, 2023 6:30pm

Number attending _____ x \$25.00 each= _____

Vittles include:

Meat

8 oz Ribeye or Sliced BBQ Chicken

Sides

Baked Potato, Garden Salad and Green Beans

Dessert

Strawberry Delight

Dinner Roll, Sweet/Unsweet Tea and Water

*After the Vittles, join the Shindig for Line Dancing,
Camp Fire and a Sing Along*

Cowboy & Cowgirl attire is welcome.....Yee Haa!

T-shirt Order information is separate from registration.

Registration Total: _____

Friday Night Vittles Total: _____

Total: _____

Make Checks payable to: GWRRA of Kentucky.

Mail Registrations to: Rick and Leah Cridlin

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Rider: _____

Co-Rider: _____

Date: _____



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Our Kentucky Chapters

Visitation is officially open! It's finally time to go see our friends again. We all now know how precious this privilege is. Let's get out and enjoy it.

KY -	MEETING DAY	TIME	LOCATION	WEBSITE
A	2nd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 10430 Shelbyville Rd. #7 Louisville, KY 40223	www.chaptera.org
C	3rd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 2640 Richmond Rd Lexington, KY 40509.	www.kybluegrasswings.org/
G	1st Tuesday	6:00 pm Eat 7:00 pm Meet	American Legion Post 4 8385 US Hwy 42 Florence, KY 41042	www.chapterg.org/
K	3rd Sunday	12:00 CST Eat 1:00 CST Meet	Golden Corral 1320 N Green St. Henderson, KY 42420	Www.facebook.com/ GWRRRA Chapter K. Henderson KY
S	Check Calendar	https:// www.kyroadrider s.org/events- calendar/	Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701	
T	3rd Saturday	5:00 pm Eat 6:00:00 pm Meet	Giovanni's Pizza 261 Court St. Paintsville, KY 41240	www.facebook.com/ Gwrra-Chapter-KY-T- Big-Sandy-Wings- 128027183940433/
Y	1st Thursday	6:00 pm Eat CST 7:00 pm Meet CST	Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th Street Mayfield, KY 42066	www.freewebs.com/ yducks/

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Be Safe

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

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You will also learn about upcoming rides.