# **KENTUCKY ROAD RIDERS STATE NEWSLETTER**

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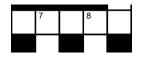
# **Inside Kentucky**

# **Getting' Our Kicks on Route 66**

Kentucky had a great showing at the very first Wing'D Rider Rally and we all had a great time despite the rain. The Rally was a good start for our new organization and the city of Litchfield was campy and fun. Plan to attend next year and get in on the excitement. Save the date! June 26th -29th 2024







The 2023 Kentucky Crossroads Crossword is ROLLIN" See page 10 & 11

#### **Links of Interest**

KY State: www.kyroadriders.org



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Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky State Directors

# **State Directors Report**

Greetings Kentucky! As anticipated June was a great month for riding. Buddy and Jeannie McKenzie, and the Chapter T team did an outstanding job planning and preparing the Ride-In. The guided rides and attractions to the Hatfield and McCoy feud sites as well as Loretta Lynn's homestead in Butcher Holler were absolutely amazing! Those attending were also treated to a picnic lunch hosted by Chapter T, which was a big hit. From what we've heard, everyone who attended had a great time! Thank you so much Chapter T for a great weekend!

While wrapping up the 2023 Ride-In we were very pleased to announce that the 2024 Ride-In will be hosted by Chapter K in the Henderson, Kentucky area. Chapter Directors Bruce and Kathy Hensley said that their entire team is on board and looking forward to hosting. Mark your calendar for the first weekend in June 2024 and stay tuned to the State Website for updates.

I was also able to ride back and forth all 3 days to the Ohio EWMA Rally, which was held in Xenia, Ohio on June 15th, 16th, and 17th. I was joined by 3 members of Chapter G on the 16th. I mention this, because I feel that is important to note that although many of our friends have chosen to go another way, they are still the same people they were when we were all in the same organization, and I was made to feel just as welcome as if I had also their organization. The riding and friendship were still the focus and I had a great time! I ask that we all remember this and share with your friends that both the Kentucky Ride-In and Blast are open to any and all riders, regardless of their affiliations.

I am writing this article on the heels of our return from Litchfield, Illinois, where we attended the first ever Wing'D Rally. I can't and won't attempt to speak for everyone, but I will share my personal thoughts on the weekend. First off, I attended with no agenda, or preconceived expectations. I realized that this was going to be a brand-new event, started on the ground floor. Leah and I had a great time! We connected with members from Kentucky (more on that later), as well as friends we've made throughout our motorcycle riding days. The local chapter hosted guided rides, which I was not able to partake (due to my own procrastination to sign up early), there were vendors, a catered dinner, and entertainment. Leah and I were able to participate in a guided ride put together by Donita Nardi, our Newsletter Editor and Chapter G Director, through part of Route 66 to Springfield. It was a great day, and we were also joined by members from Chapters A, C and G. I want to thank Donita for planning and leading us on a great day. I understand it was the first ride she had ever led, and I echo the many comments that she did a great job! Kentucky was very well represented at the rally, and although I have not confirmed this, I do believe we had the largest single state representation there. I am so proud of Kentucky in so many ways. Each of our chapters is truly amazing in their own individual way. Please do yourself a favor and participate in the visitation program so you can find out for yourself.



So, what is next for Kentucky? The Blast of course! Mark your calendars (those of you who haven't already done so) for August 17th through 19th, at the Showroom in Danville, KY. The theme this year is Kentucky Round Up, and we will have vendors, games, a jail, and a shindig with vittles, along with guided and self-guided rides. Literally something for everyone. Registration forms and details can be found on our website at www.kyroadriders.org. Rally shirts will also be available to order online through our shirt vendor, and will be available for pick-up at the rally. Order information can be found on our website.

**State Directors Report—Continued** 

Rick and Leah Cridlin

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Leah and I wish you all safe travels as you get out and enjoy those beautiful machines that bring us all together.



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# Wing'D Rally #1 in Review

Things to think about...

Coming home from the WING'D rally in Litchfield we learned a few things. I thought I would share those things with you.

First, the name of the organization is WING'D Rider, pronounced like Winged. Not Wing-D. Second, the organization is still growing and with any organization there are always bumps in the road. We asked that you stick with us a little longer, because it is only going to get better from here! Now that we are coming up on a year as WING'D Rider members, we need to make sure we renew our memberships to keep the organization going. If you have-n't joined yet, please do. You have been hanging out with us now for a while and taken your test ride, now it is time to commit.

Thirdly, we learned at the rally that the magazine will now be published every two months. There is a financial reason for this. It is very costly to publish the magazine every month. Right now President, John Lazzeroni shared that publishing the magazine every month is financially irresponsible. When our membership grows and is able to cover the monthly costs, a monthly publication will return.

Fourth, this was our first WING'D rally, it will grow and get better every year. We all should consider that we weren't there for Wing Ding #1, who knows what that looked like. But everyone had fun and returned the following year, and the next year and the next year and so on and so on. The rally isn't always about what you can buy, it is about seeing old friends, making new ones and enjoying our motorcycle family. Jack Wagner shared with me that he thinks the last day of the rally is always a sad day for him. He said, "You never know if it will be the last time you see someone." He is right. Tomorrow is not promised and we need to enjoy one another every chance we get.

I know I didn't get to ride and go everywhere I wanted to go this year. The weather was not our friend. So next year I will go back, go to the places I missed and find new places to go. I already have a list started. Stick with me and we will have a good time, I promise! Lastly, as I sat at the hotel and around the rally I heard a lot of conversations about a lot of things. Some things I heard people talking about were simply not true. Some people were making assumptions and looking at situations from their point of view and experiences. None of us have a complete understanding of what it takes to orchestrate a rally on this level. So rather than judge, let's provide constructive feedback as Jere Goodman suggested at closing ceremonies. If the leadership team doesn't know what concerns we have, they can't correct or change them. Remember the organization doesn't exist without us and if we don't express what we would like to see happen, leadership doesn't know. Rather than believe everything you "hear", think about things with an open mind and know that there is a reason for everything.

Till I see you again! Leah

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# **State Educator Report**



Rick and Kim Artmayer

State Educator

# MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TIPS

# **Be Mindful of Your Bike**

Can you easily get on and off the bike? Do your feet rest flat on the ground when seated?

Regularly ensure your tire pressure and tread depth are within the specified levels. Can you comfortably reach the handlebars and controls?

Make sure your headlights, tail lights, and signals are working perfectly.

> Anti-lock brakes can save your life! Bikes with ABS are **37%** less likely to be involved in a fatal crash.

Don't choose an engine that's too powerful. New riders of commuters should choose a 250-300cc engine. Highway riders should choose 500-750cc.

Regularly check coolant, oil, and fuel levels to avoid unexpected breakdowns.

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

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Well guy's, It's already July and great riding weather is upon us. Kent and I were looking forward to the first Wing'D Rider Rally but sadly had to cancel at the last minute due to work obligations. It was a bummer, but work makes it possible for us to do all the fun things. We have an Alaska Land and Sea tour coming up next week that we had planned in 2018 for 202 but was cancelled due to COVID. We then re-planned it for 2021 and it again go cancelled due to COVID and the Canadian border still being shut down. The we rescheduled it for July in 2023 and guess what?? It looks like it might actually happen! We can't wait! Our next overnight bike trip will be in August to the Kentucky Blast. We hope to see everyone there. It's always a fun time and a great venue!



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. 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!!



# **For Sale**

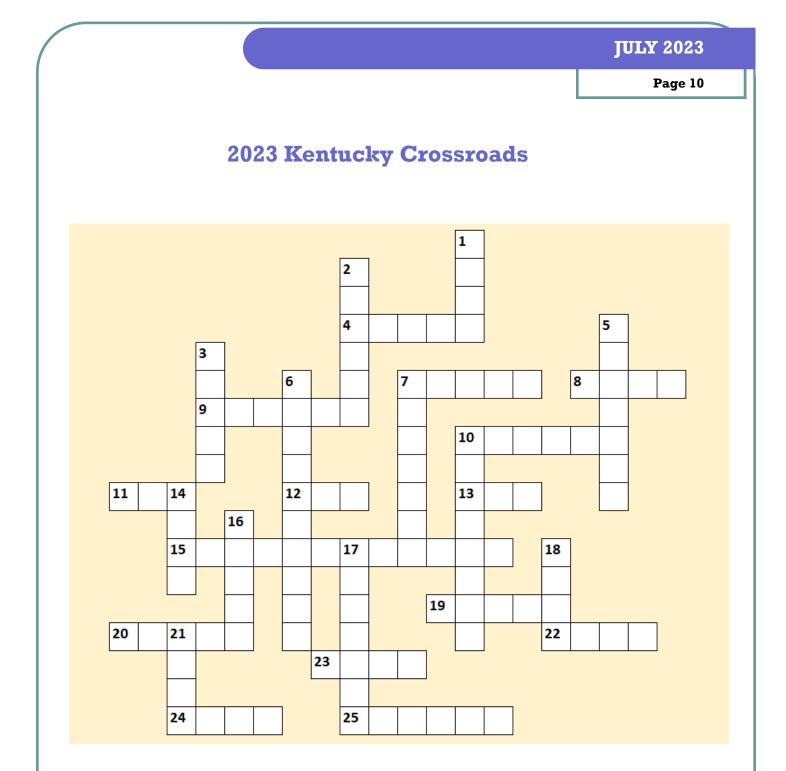
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# Image: Sector Sector

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





It's back! The 2023 Kentucky Crossroads is up and riding! This year will be a real challenge, but the scenery will be worth the effort. I have checked the coordinates, but if you see something that doesn't look quite right, please let me know.

BE SAFE! GET RIDING!! HAVE FUN!!!

ACROSS	ACROSS	DOWN	DOWN
<b>4</b> 37° 48.92′ N, 82° 47.546′ W	<b>13</b> 37° 54.974′ N, 85° 19.049′ W	<b>1</b> 38° 13.365′ N, 84° 33.981′ W	<b>14</b> 36° 36.499′ N, 83° 42.871′ W
Line 7 4th Word	Line 8 4th Word (Back)	Line 7 2nd Word	Line 5 1st Word
<b>7</b> 37° 56.373' N, 83° 59.852' W	<b>15</b> 36° 50.405′ N, 84° 20.374′ W	<b>2</b> 37° 45.649′ N, 85° 12.869′ W	<b>16</b> 36° 59.34' N, 85° 38.965' W
Line 9 4th Word	Line 2 2nd Word	Line 3 5th Word (Front)	Line 9 4th Word
<b>8</b> 36° 45.088' N, 86° 11.379' W	<b>19</b> 36° 36.412′ N, 83° 42.103′ W	<b>3</b> 37° 0.694′ N, 86° 27.59′ W	<b>17</b> 36° 44.58906' N, 84° 9.58302' W
Line 8 2nd Word	Line 4 3rd Word (Back)	Line 6 3rd Word	Line 6 4th Word
<b>9</b> 37° 6.187′ N, 85° 18.388′ W	<b>20</b> 37° 0.277′ N, 85° 43.937′ W	<b>5</b> 37° 5.953′ N, 85° 18.457′ W	<b>18</b> 38° 36.957' N, 84° 54.384' W
Line 3 3rd Word	Line 5 2nd Word	Line 7 4th Word	Line 8 6th Word
<b>10</b> 36° 43.848' N, 84° 9.882' W	<b>22</b> 37° 48.036′ N, 82° 48.131′ W	<b>6</b> 36° 50.296′ N, 84° 20.634′ W	<b>21</b> 38° 11.627' N, 84° 51.968' W
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<b>11</b> 36° 58.542′ N, 84° 35.869′ W	<b>23</b> 37° 0.62′ N, 86° 23.791′ W	<b>7</b> 37° 35.268′ N, 85° 39.752′ W	
Line 4 3rd Word	Line 5 4th Word	Line 2 1st Word	
<b>12</b> 37° 3.344′ N, 84° 44.357′ W	<b>24</b> 38° 23.817' N, 84° 51' W	<b>10</b> 36° 45.677' N, 83° 41.738' W	
Line 1 4th Word (Back)	Line 6 2nd Word (Front)	Line 8 1st Word	
	<b>25</b> 36° 43.33344′ N, 84° 11.5554′ W Line 4 3rd Word		

Instructions

- □ Follow the coordinates to the destination.
- $\Box$  Locate the correct highway marker.
- $\hfill\square$  Take a picture of your "thumbs up" in front of the sign.
- $\hfill\square$  Use the text on the sign to locate the word for the puzzle.
- (please note that some signs have a front and back)
- $\hfill\square$  Repeat the above until your puzzle is finished.



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# **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 to so you can be added for the group ticket pricing.



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# **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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!

#### Accomodations:

#### Hampton Inn

100 Montgomery Way, Danville, KY 40422 King&Double Rooms \$119.00 per night + tax Mention Gold Wing Blast to get the discounted rate.

(859)236-6200

#### 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**

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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:

I/We agree to conform and comply with the ideas governing this convention and we further agree to hold harmless KRR, cosponsoring 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:

Total:

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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	<u>www</u> .chaptera.org
С	3rd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 2640 Richmond Rd Lexington, KY 40509.	www.kybluegrasswing s.org/
G	lst 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/ GWRRA Chapter K. Henderson KY
S	Check Cal- endar	<u>https://</u> www.kyroadrider s.org/events- calendar/	Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701	
Т	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	lst Thursday	6:00 pm Eat CST 7:00 pm Meet CST	Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th Street Mayfield, KY 42066	<u>www.freewebs.com/</u> <u>yducks/</u>

#### **State Newsletter**

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Phone: 859-534-5292 E-mail: KYDistrictGWRRA@gmail.com **Ride Safe** 

Be Safe

Visitation is on!

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

WE'RE ON THE WEB!





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You will also learn about upcoming rides.