

KENTUCKY ROAD RIDERS STATE NEWSLETTER



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Incarceration!!!!

There's been a big drop in the number of "criminals" on the streets of Kentucky since Sheriff Dan showed up on the scene. Crimes such as eating too much ice cream, making too many U-turns, being utterly ridiculous, impersonating a woman, and just because your wife needs a break, are just a few of the cases that were closed by Sherriff Dan. Although there have been allegations of criminal negligence, he was not above taking a bribe here or there, and he was caught sleeping on the job at least once, over-all, he is well deserving of his state team salary. I even heard he was up for a raise! Givem' another zero Director.



Links of Interest

KY State:
www.kyroadriders.org

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State Directors Report



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky State Directors

The 2023 Blast is now behind us and Leah and I really had a “blast” seeing everyone having a good time. Thank you so much to all who attended and made it a success. No rally or event can be successful without participation from the members and we really appreciate everyone who attended. We also want to extend a special thank you to our staff, who put in a lot of planning and commitment of their time for both setting up and breaking down as well as their time spent manning the various tables throughout the rally. Kentucky was represented well and we had visitors from Illinois, North Carolina, Virginia, Oklahoma, Florida, Ohio, as well as the Wing’D Rider Executive Vice President Jere Goodman from Missouri. Please share any comments or suggestions you have about this, or future rallies with your Chapter Director, or contact us directly. We welcome all comments, both positive and negative. We will be back in Danville for 2024 and some ideas are already rolling in.

Congratulations to Dean and Lora Miller, and Miles Justice, who were selected as our State Couple and Individual of the Year! We are so proud of the 3 of you and know that you will represent Kentucky well during your tenure. We also welcome the 3 of you to the State Staff.

Congratulations to Jim and Karen Fields for winning the privilege of adopting Oliver, the COY Mascot, and to Miles Justice for winning the privilege of adopting Melvin, the IOY Mascot. Check out the website at www.kyroadriders.org for pictures and more information about the Blast.

Our next State event is the Jack-O-Lantern Spooktacular on Friday, October 13th. Camping, to include cabins, is still available at the Louisville South KOA. There are also plenty of Hotels just off the exit, which is close to the campground. You don’t have to camp, or stay in the area to join us for the Spooktacular. Leah is working on getting a group rate, so please let us know if you would like to join us.

Planning has also started for the Operations Meeting in January. The social event is “Going to the Prom.” As Leah stated, “It can be the prom you attended, the prom you wanted to attend, or the future prom you would like to attend.” Keep checking the website for more details.

Both the Visitation Program and the Traveling Plaque for 2023 concluded at the Blast. Congratulations to Chapter A for winning the Traveling Plaque and Chapter G for winning the Visitation Program. Both of these activities have reset and started for 2024. They are both great reasons to ride and visit with your friends in other chapters. I have made it a personal goal for the last several years to visit all chapters at least once during the year, and it is something I have really enjoyed. I encourage each of you to give it your best shot. We also have a passport program going on to help you earn a prize if you do visit each chapter during the year and attend the State Ride-In and Blast.

Continue to ride safe and have fun!

State Assistant Directors Report



**Dan and Rita
Bondourant**

Kentucky State Assistant
Directors

If you missed the blast you missed a fun time! If I missed locking you up in the Jail I'm sorry. We had lots of fun locking up unsuspecting criminals, I'd let them get busy talking or something and the next thing you know SNAP! YOUR IN HANDCUFFS!!

Thanks to Rick and Leah for all their hard work putting the Blast together. I'd especially like to thank Ch. K and Randy & Kim Pommier of Ch. G for taking over the bike games this year for me, if I missed anyone I'm sorry. Due to some health issues I couldn't really be out in the heat and they all stepped up and ran the games and did a fantastic job.

Can you believe this heat we have had over a week of 110-115 heat index. You melt just going from house to truck, much less trying to mow the yard I've just kind of let mine grow lol. So please be careful!

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-sleeve version.



State Educator Report



**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educator

I hope everyone that attended the 2023 Kentucky Blast enjoyed the event. There were many games to play and great riding opportunities available during a week in August of lower-than-normal temperatures. There were also educational opportunities supported by the RPM Academy training curriculum. Even the game at the Rider Ed table offered a chance to learn about different road signs, and you could also learn about the importance of hand strength and how the use of your right-hand fingers affects your ability to stop your motorcycle.

Motorcycling is a physical activity that requires the operator to have a certain amount of strength to control the motorcycle safely and effectively. Nearly every bike made has a hand brake lever, normally for the front brake, and a foot brake lever, normally for the rear brake. (Some scooters I have seen and ridden have only hand brake levers, with one for the front brake and one for the rear brake.) Some motorcycles have combined or linked braking arrangements, such that some rear braking is included when the hand lever for the front brake is activated, and some front braking is included when the foot pedal for the rear brake is activated. Regardless of how the braking system is engineered, as much as 80% of the total braking power of the motorcycle is in the front brakes, making strong hands necessary to safely ride your vehicle.

Beginning riders are normally taught to use all four fingers when applying the brake, and at all other times to leave the fingers on the handgrip. More advanced riders can learn about alternate techniques of using one, two, or three fingers to cover the brake lever. There are several reasons for using any of these techniques, and there are right and wrong times to cover the brake. Covering the brake is simply holding one, two, or three fingers over or just on top of the brake lever. The benefit of this is a faster reaction time when needing to apply the brakes, since your fingers are already extended. It is possible that as much as a quarter second can be saved by covering the brake. At 60 miles an hour, that quarter of a second translates into 22 feet, or more than an average car length. The drawbacks to covering the brake include decreased ability to apply full pressure to the lever, the potential to roll on the throttle while braking, and the potential in slow speed maneuvers to drop the motorcycle by inadvertently applying the front brake.

Several people who used the strength gage available at the Rider Ed table found out just how much difference there is between a two finger and a four finger pull on the brake lever. Regardless of your riding experience, using all four fingers supplies the strongest pull on the lever, which is nearly twice the power of a two finger pull. I find that reducing my pull on the brake lever is easier than trying to apply more pressure, especially if I am already trying to apply the most pressure possible.

State Treasurer Report



Jerry and Luanne Williams

State Treasurers

We would like to thank everyone who came to “The Blast.” We had a great time and it looked like everyone else did too. Danville is a great city that welcomes us each year. There is so much to see in that area as well as the surrounding areas. Kentucky is a beautiful state to explore.

We wanted to share with everyone the lucky winners for the 50/30/20 that took place on Thursday, August 17, Friday, August 18, and Saturday, August 19, 2023. We had 2 lucky ladies – Lora Miller and Debbie Michael – both winning 2 times.

Our largest 50/30/20 took place on Saturday, August 19, 2023 – the winners were:

- 1st Place – Denise Harris – Winning - \$73
- 2nd Place – Lora Miller – Winning - \$43
- 3rd Place – Dan Bondurant – Winning - \$30

The 1st 50/30/20 took place on Thursday, August 17, 2023 – the winners were:

- 1st Place – Debbie Michael – Winning - \$46
- 2nd Place – Debbie Michael (lucky lady) – Winning - \$27
- 3rd Place – Jerry Brown (TJ Brown Enterprise LLC) – Winning - \$18

The 2nd 50/30/20 took place on Friday, August 18, 2023 – the winners were:

- 1st Place – Lora Miller (lucky lady) – Winning - \$55
- 2nd Place – Julie Tucker – Winning - \$33
- 3rd Place – Dedre Vanhooose – Winning - \$21

We will be looking forward to seeing you at the next State Event – the KY Ride-In – 5/31-6/1, 2024, in Henderson, KY – Chapter K is hosting.

What a BLAST!

The Blast was a blast! We had games, a jail, bike games and raffle baskets oh my! We sincerely want to thank everyone that came to Danville and had a great time. The staff has fun, when you have fun!

Some folks have a few things to celebrate.

Longest Distance traveled to the Blast 1 up Male - Greg Stafford

Longest Distance traveled to the Blast 1 Up Female - Melanie Geggie

Longest Distance traveled to the Blast 2 Up - Johnny & Sherry Myers

Largest State in Attendance outside Kentucky - Illinois

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance - Chapter G

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance by percentage - Chapter K

Visitation

1st Place Chapter G

2nd Place Chapter A

3rd Place Chapter C

The Traveling Plaque

1st Place Chapter A

2nd Place Chapter C

3rd Place Chapter G

Chapter T will have the **Traveling Plaque** in September. Who is going to capture it first?

Worker Bee Gift cards were awarded to, Richard Thomasson, Tony Kagle, Alan Merritt and Kim Pommier.

Mike and Dedre won a **free registration for the 2024 Blast**.

Dean Miller won the **KY Crossroads Crossword** Thumbs Up Puzzle Challenge.

Cheri Brown won the **COY/IOY Solo Stove**.

Rita Bondurant won the **KY Past Blast Quilt** and gifted it to Leah Cridlin

On Bike Games Winners were:

Steve & Jennie Knode, Jerry & Luanne, Chanel Blue, Wes Priddy and Rick Cridlin

Chapter G won the Chapter **Hat Challenge**

Chapter A won the **Beans & Bacon Challenge**

Chapter C won the **Cow Tipping Challenge**

Chapter A won the **Poop & Scoop**

The State Team won **Pictionary** against the Chapter Directors.

Congratulations to those that won Chapter Raffle Baskets, Rider Ed and Door Prizes.

See all the fun at : <https://www.kyroadriders.org/photos-page/nggallery/2023-blast-photos>





**Michael & Dedre
VanHoose**

State Member Enhancement
Coordinators

State Member Enhancement Report

Man, did you all enjoy the Kentucky Blast or what!!?? I know we put the order in for good weather about 3 months earlier, but we really lucked out. This could not have been a better time for our rally. We had improved enrollment, a great venue, and great social time.

With our Couple and Individual of the Year competitions set, we were ready to go. We had Dean and Lora Miller chosen as your 2023-2024 couple, and Miles Justice chosen for your 2023-2024 Individual of the year. We had judges from Tennessee, Virginia and Illinois taking care of our new staff members. In case you were taking notes, you should have

noticed how informal the process is now. We believe this will be a much more favorable process in the future for those chosen to take part.

We discussed a change in our Couple and Individual of the Year process. This will be announced in next month's article.

Many thanks to Kent and Karen Risen for their roles and participation this year. They have been a great addition to the team.

Please encourage your Chapter individuals and couples to get involved with this wonderful program. The friendships and bonds they make will mean so much to them later in chapter life.

If Dedre and I can be of any assistance to you or your chapter, please get with us and let's see how we can help out.



John Keiter

State Pins & Patches
Coordinators

Pins and Patches Coordinator

Happy Summer!

It's great riding weather, lots of nice sunny days to go for a ride. Soon enough, it'll be winter and all this will be but a distant memory.

Since we've joined Wing'd Rider, we have had some new pins made, so ask your Director or Pins'n'Patches coordinator if you need any.

Fall is a great time to ride, so enjoy but be safe.



Kent and Karen Risen
COY Coordinators

State Couple of the Year and COY Coordinators

Well, the Kentucky Blast is over, and Fall is just around the corner. Kent and I would like to Congratulate our new State Couple of the Year Dean and Lora Miller and our first EVER State Individual of the Year Miles Justice!! Your great riding skills, unwavering support for one another, and commitment to the sport have truly set you apart. We look forward to working with you and the Kentucky State team to improve our COY and IOY program and keep it exciting and fun!! Your achievements have made Kentucky Proud, and we can't wait to see where you go next!!



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."

State Individual of the Year



Miles Justice
State Individual of
the Year

Greetings Kentucky Road Riders! This will be a very brief article this month, mostly because I just found out two days before the deadline that I needed to submit lol. As most of you know, I have just finished up my first week as a member of the State Team and am still getting my bearings for what all this entails. At this point, I just want to say how grateful I am to have been selected at The Blast to represent KRR as the first-ever State Individual of the Year. It is certainly a huge honor! I am beyond excited to be an ambassador for this amazing organization during this next year. Thank you all for showing such confidence in me. I look forward to this new adventure as we continue to make KRR the best state organization out there!

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



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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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.



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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 Social 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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Ride Safe

Be Safe

Visitation is on!

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

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You will also learn about upcoming rides.