



# ROAR

The Official Publication of the TOP CATS OF ILLINOIS

## PRESIDENT'S MINUTE



Well, gang, the WOW! factor just keeps climbing...



Over the past month, we have had many new members join who heard about us from fellow members. The experience that our new members bring with them will definitely enrich our motorcycling DNA.



ber members on this committee are amazing! They selflessly give so much of their time and effort to putting this event together. We expect to see all of our Top Cats at this event helping this great committee put on our most important ride of the year!



Thanx to our Road Captain Committee, we're seeing an increase in ride opportunities that will allow our members to meet those prior obligations and still go on a Top Cats' ride each month.

Our Charity Committee is in the final phases of prepping for our 19th Annual Ride for Dreams charity ride on 27 July. The high – cali-



We just completed the Rustic Roads ride and the Fathers' Day Brunch Run thanx to Mike Bradbury for all of his work planning and leading those rides and our thanx to the Lodens, again, for the effort in leading the old 5th Annual Aunt Millies Ride. A special thanx to Kathie Bradbury and Terri Loden for keeping their road captains on the right course.

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### Upcoming Events

#### JULY

- 1 GENERAL MEETING
- 8 BOARD MEETING
- 12-13 PRARIE DU CHEIN
- 15 FRANKS AND FRIES
- 20 EAST TROY FLY-IN
- 27 **RIDE FOR DREAMS!**
- 30 STURGIS!

#### AUGUST

- 5 GENERAL MEETING
- 9 WHITE FENCE FARMS
- 10 MENDOTA SWEET CORN RIDE
- 12 BOARD MEETING
- 19 FRANKS AND FRIES
- 31 CANTIGNY

Get your ride idea published  
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## KAUTION KORNER

### Let's Get Physical

By: Gene Rigsby, Road Captain



Contemplating a subject for this month's Kaution Korner, I considered the sort of "usual" topics for this time of year like TCLOCKS, severe weather riding, etc... which are very important subjects, no doubt. It is difficult to come up with a subject for the article that will be of interest to the club – and to me as I research the topic. So...

I reviewed the past topics. In this year alone, there have been articles published in the ROAR outlining taking care of YOU when riding; Tips like, keeping hydrated, having the proper riding equipment to match the environmental conditions, no matter what it may be and to be prepared as it changes throughout the day with sun protection, clothes, etc..., We all have been fully informed about taking care of yourself AND your rider at an event. No possibilities found here...

It was becoming more and more difficult to identify subject matter as I reviewed some past rides with combined events; I reviewed the club ride suggestions that I have heard and considered for this year. I have been a member of the Top Cats for a few years now, and during that time we have ridden to some great events. For instance, Cantigny, for a civil war reenactment and to tour the grounds and museums, the fly in breakfast in East Troy to check out some cool planes and cars and even some motorcycles and Argon laboratory to tour the facility and see a Higgs Boson, to a name a few. Rides with an educational component too!

So, My proposal in this article is.... consider a ride where the mid-point of the ride is an event like hiking or canoeing or horseback riding, sailing, fishing or some other SPORTING activity.

As I've talked to the membership, each member has an interest in at least one of these things. So, adding this to the rides would be easy.... BUT – It



could also put an additional stress on the participants (riders). So, when taking on more challenging events like this we need to keep in mind that we still need to return home safely.

Here are some items to consider:

#### **Bring the proper equipment -**

- ✦ For example, if the trip includes a hike, bring proper boots to support your ankles as riding with a bum ankle would be very difficult
- ✦ Right clothes for the environmental conditions (hot, cold, wet, etc...)
- ✦ Maybe bring a change of clothes if you may encounter wet condition, as taking a canoe trip may bring.

#### **Protect yourself -**

- ✦ Sun protection (lotion, hat, sunglasses, etc...)
- ✦ Great riding boots don't always equal good walking shoes or hiking boots, so maybe bring a pair of comfortable shoes to change into rather than wearing riding boots making a walk around a town or event more bearable and easier to get back on the road later

#### **Pace yourself -**

- ✦ Give yourself time to rest during the event or prior to leaving for home to ensure you're at your best possible physical and mental state to ride safely
- ✦ Keep hydrated by bringing water on a hike or during another adventure
- ✦ Have a snack to keep your energy level up. Not that we won't stop for a meal or... yes, ice cream!

#### **Prepare for any special needs -**

- ✦ Bringing medications or any other item which will help keep you comfortable. A baseball cap and maybe even a change of shoes. I think I mention this so much because I forget to do this myself until I start walking around and my feet are sore.

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## Additional considerations -

★ Along with the extra gear, remember to balance your load. Bard wrote a good article about this topic several ROAR issues ago, but basically use common sense when packing like. Taking only what you need and keep the heavy stuff low and balanced.

I really hope these tips are helpful for any future ride you take, as we have some great rides planned for the remainder of the season. But, I also hope we start to see more rides with a bit more adventure mixed in to keep our adventurous natures engaged...

*See you on the road, or on a trail, or on a creek.... or??*

President's Minute Continued...

July will be a busy month with our Ride 4 Dreams, Stewart's great Fly-In Ride, Run to the River, Hot Dog Night, and...our group departure to Sturgis for Bike Week and the 6 - day Post - Sturgis Adventure.



How does all of this happen? It happens because we have great members whose unselfish interest lies in helping others before helping themselves. What a great resource!

Let's roll...safely.....

*Traveler*  
President  
Top Cats - Illinois



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Save the Date!  
July 27th, 2014!

*Top Cat's Ride for Dreams!*



# Last Blast!!!!

By Traveler



Over the years, many of us have discovered the ingredients to an excellent ride; good weather, great route, skilled riders, unequalled camaraderie, and a fantastic destination. However, the most important ingredient is.....a good ol' group of Top Cats! So it turned out for the Last Blast President's Ride 21-22 June, 2014 to Pontiac, IL.

Although planning for this event was short notice, the city of Pontiac, IL jumped on the opportunity to facilitate our visit, coordinate hotel rooms, lunch and dinner reservations, and reserved parking, free admission to Cruise Night, a welcome by the Mayor and Tourism Director, etc. Incredible hospitality!



Following our traditional safety briefing... off we rode through the fog and overcast, on our leisurely four hour ride, on back roads, to Pontiac.

We were very fortunate, this year to see fields of corn, and more corn, and even more corn then, as we crested the hill....more freaking corn!  
(Next year...it's SOY BEANS or bust!)



Arriving in Pontiac we had to take the obligatory picture in front of the RT 66 mural behind the RT 66 Museum.

(We heard that a group picture is required for entry to the city so we obliged)



Now, Pontiac is full of interesting murals some of which are very realistic. So realistic that one of our members thought the murals were real shops and headed over to visit them!



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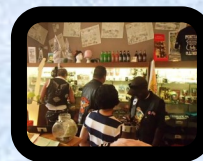
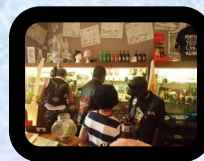


After we parked in our reserved parking place in front of the Pontiac Car Museum we were greeted by Ms. Ellie Alexander, the Tourism

Director, who presented each of us with RT 66 pins, a city welcome packet, free passes to Cruise Night and a briefing on activities scheduled for that day.

Lunch was reserved at DeLong's, next to the car museum. Great service, great food, and...Mayor Bob Russell, who invited us to town three weeks before, came to our table to welcome our group to Pontiac. Classy touch and a great guy.

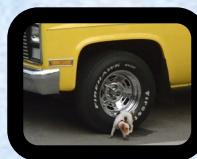
After lunch we decided to take the trolley tour of the murals but we didn't want the public to think that we were a bunch of old people who you always see on trolleys so, we put on sunglasses and covered our Top Cats' patches so no one would notice.



Following the trolley tour, we visited the Pontiac Car Museum, RT 66 Museum, and War Museum, all within 2 blocks of our bikes, and walked around the town square that becomes the center of activities for the weekend. This weekend, the featured event was the charity Cruise Night benefiting the Red Fez Shrine Club (free for us). Great event with fantastic cars, entertainment, a dynamometer, beer tent, beautiful town square a motorcycle poker run and, plenty to see.



That evening we had dinner reservations and an awesome meal at Bernardi's, a few feet from our parked bikes, where we met a waitress who could outwit anyone with her quick, albeit risqué, retorts.



Stuffed from our great dinner, we walked the town square ogling old cars, watching dyno tests, checking out the many shops and boutiques (you can guess which of our brothers and sisters did what) and winding up our visit to Pontiac.



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# Oil Spots

By Traveler

## Penton Movie Premieres



Motorcycle racing legend John Penton got his moment on the silver screen for the premiere of "Penton: The John Penton Story" at the Ohio Theater in his hometown on June 9.

Thanks to the Penton Owners Group, several bikes bearing Penton's name were on display, as were a couple that didn't bear his name, but were important to him. The lobby display included a BMW that's still part of Penton's personal collection and the NSU he used to win five consecutive national races.

More than 800 people turned out for the premiere. The genesis for the movie came when Todd Huffman was flying to *Dealer Expo* in Indianapolis and had a copy of Ed Youngblood's book, "John Penton and the Off-Road Motorcycle Revolution." Huffman tore through the book and decided to start chronicling Penton's life on film.

Monday, he saw six years of work come to fruition for the premiere – and, he added, a test screening. He was thrilled with the product, but a little sad at the same time. Penton loved the finished the product. "It was just right," he told Huffman. "I couldn't imagine how you'd put it together."

## U.S. House Retains Motorcycle Lobbying Ban



The U.S. House of Representatives approved a bill late Tuesday that reaffirms

Congress' intent to prohibit the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration from lobbying states and state legislators on motorcycle safety matters, the American Motorcyclist Association reports.

H.R. 4745 -- the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act -- originally contained a provision that would have permitted the NHSTA to spend tax money to try to convince states to adopt mandatory motorcycle helmet laws and to impose other regulations on motorcyclists.

U.S. Reps. Tim Walberg (R-Mich.) and Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) offered the amendment to strike Section 102 of H.R. 4745. The amended bill passed on a vote of 229-192, with 10 members not voting.

"As a rider, I know that educating riders and the driving public is the best way to keep motorcyclists safe," Walberg said. The Senate version of the appropriations bill remains under consideration.

The AMA believes that adults should have the right to voluntarily decide when to wear a helmet. The AMA does not oppose laws requiring helmets for minor motorcycle operators and passengers. The AMA asserts that helmet use alone is insufficient to ensure a motorcyclist's safety.

## HARLEY-DAVIDSON

### ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE

Harley-Davidson is known as The Motor Company, but nobody ever thought the name would be applied to an electric motorcycle.



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## Oil Spots, Continued...

Meet the Harley-Davidson LiveWire electric motorcycle, a research project into the viability of an electric two-wheeler for the bar-and-shield brand.

Consumers will get to ride LiveWire and give Harley-Davidson feedback, allowing the company to evaluate consumer interest and decide if and how LiveWire would go into production. Project LiveWire is another exciting, customer-led moment in HD history.

So far, the history of the electric motorcycle has been a bumpy one. A few major motorcycle manufacturers have toed the waters with electrics, most notably the BMW with the C evolution scooter and KTM with its Freeride E light enduro. But of the startup companies currently producing electric motorcycles, Zero and Brammo have made the most progress.

Fit, finish, and function were excellent, as you would expect from a machine that consumers are going to ride and judge. Not only that, but every detail—including the crinkle-finish one-piece cast aluminum frame and swingarm, the LED headlight, the trick CNC-milled billet-aluminum front turn signal/mirror brackets, the TFT LED dash, and the delicate-looking wheels—is clean, stylish, and of high quality.



The longitudinally mounted three-phase AC motor is rated at 74 horsepower and 52 pound-feet of peak torque. Twist the right grip (it's not really a throttle), and you roll away. But, surprisingly, this doesn't happen silently.

"The sound that we've developed for this motorcycle is uniquely our own," explains Richlen. "It is not silent. It's far from it. It has a very distinct, turbine-like wail, that is a result of the architecture we have chosen for the motor."

Harley says the LiveWire will hit 60 mph in less than four seconds, which feels spot-on. The LiveWire feels quick off the line, even smoking the rear tire on a couple of hard launches for the video camera. On the runway, it did a top-speed blast to an electronically limited peak of 95 mph. It wanted more.

The most impressive element of the LiveWire riding experience is that it feels and functions like a "real" motorcycle (despite its clutchless transmission).

So, yes, as unlikely as it seems, Harley-Davidson has stepped way out of its comfort zone. But for a company that has so aggressively defended and fostered its distinctive engine sound and followed a very traditional path with its products, the LiveWire demonstrates a distinct shift for Harley—from cruiser builder to transportation producer.

**Has "The Motor Company" taken on an entirely new meaning?**

## MISSOURI LIFTS BAN ON SUNDAY BIKE SALES

Missouri ☐ Gov. Jay Nixon signed a bill Monday that will lift a ban on Sunday sales of motorcycles, ATVs, personal watercraft and other off-road vehicles.



The measure is scheduled to take effect Aug. 28. ☐ Rick Worth, owner of Worth Harley-Davidson in Kansas City, championed the bill because he was losing Sunday business to competitors across state lines.

Auto dealers are not part of the new law, and are still prohibited from selling cars and trucks on Sundays.

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## Oil Spots, Continued...

### DAYTONA BEACH SWITCH TO VICTORY POLICE MOTORCYCLES

The Daytona Beach Police Department will switch from Harley-Davidson to Victory motorcycles starting this fall.



The police department's motor officers will be patrolling on Commander I VPM models, which are based on the Victory Cross Country. The department is switching after its current lease to use Harley-Davidson motorcycles expires.

Victory Police Motorcycles is a company based in Tucson, Ariz., that acquires motorcycles from Victory -- typically Cross Country, Cross Roads or Vision models -- and equips them with lights, radio and siren; a secondary battery to power electronic equipment, and custom paint that features the agency's logo. Additional accessories can include tip-over protection, a skid plate, firearms and radar gun holsters and alternate windshield styles.

The Daytona Beach Police Department will lease a fleet of 12 Commander I models, each of which equipped with LED lights, a radio box, and a siren, and they will feature the department's paint scheme and logo. **Volusia Motorsports**, the Victory dealership in New Smyrna Beach, Florida, will provide service and regular maintenance for the fleet.

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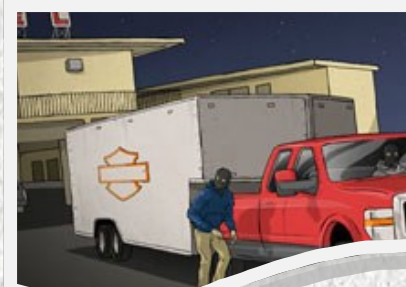


**SHARE THE ROAD.**



### FIVE STOLEN HARLEYS RIDE OFF IN THE NIGHT

Car and motorcycle shows are fun for enthusiasts and owners alike. They're also a magnet for thieves. The proud owner of five classic Harley Davidson motorcycles found out the hard way.



**DAMAGE/LOSS:** It's never easy being the victim of a crime, but when thieves make off with something very special -- like a motorcycle (or five) that you've put a lot of time and effort into -- it's heart wrenching. The insured Guaranteed Value of the five Harleys totaled \$171,500.



**MOTORCYCLES COVERED:** Five classic Harley Davidsons -- two 1917 JDs and a 1919 JD, 1920 JD and 1948 Panhead.



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## Oil Spots, Continued...



**LESSON:** An enclosed trailer in a motel parking lot, especially one that shows up the night before a classic motorcycle show with a Harley Davidson logo on the side, might as well have bay windows revealing what's inside. It's going to be a target. Knowing that a good thief can swipe just about anything no matter how many precautions we take, here are a few suggestions to make it as difficult as possible. Whenever you park your trailer for the night, back it against a light post or wall so that the rear doors cannot be opened without moving the trailer. To prevent thieves from detaching the trailer from the hitch,

use heavy duty chain to link the trailer to a solid/immovable object on the truck, and secure it with an industrial lock. Better yet, if there's enough room, after you've backed the trailer as close to an immovable object as possible so the doors can't be opened, unhitch the trailer from the truck and park the truck perpendicular to the tongue of the trailer so the truck will have to be moved before the trailer can go anywhere.



It is especially important to find something solid/immovable to back up to when the bike is in the bed of the truck .

Think, take precautions and enjoy the show!



## July Celebrations!

Let us know your important dates  
so we can celebrate with you!!

1st - Larry Scalzitti

3rd - Gary Brandt

7th - David Whiteside

8th - Laura Purcell



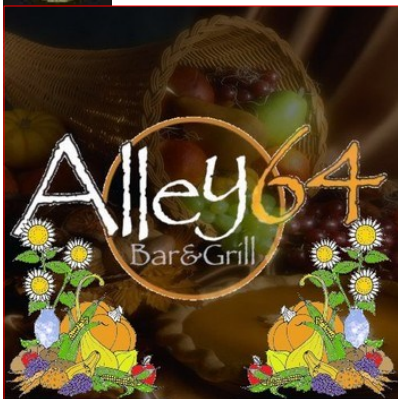


## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

### JUNE 3RD, 2014

Alley 64  
2001 N. Rand Rd, Palatine, Illinois

Submitted by Mary Walters



The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Wayne Kirkpatrick, President.

The membership was asked to stand and say the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Guests:

- ★ Jurgen and Ollie Lutz, Guests of Wayne Kirkpatrick and Mary Walters
- ★ Bob Swanson. Bob met some of the Top Cats Representatives at the Little Angels Ride and decided to come to the meeting.
- ★ Rose Gilligan was a guest of Roxray Adonis.

#### **President's Report:** Wayne Kirkpatrick

Noelle Rigsby and Tony Loden were recognized for the organization and support of the Little Angels Ride. Tony organized the satellite ride to the event and Noelle made sure that all of our Top Cats signed an attendance sheet.

Top Cats was recognized as the organization that had the largest number of members in attendance.

The Club now has a square for the Charity Ride purchases and donations. Noelle Rigsby will be keeping track of the square for the Charity Committee.

Brian Shahanian, one of NISRA'S top administrators is retiring. Top Cats and Brian have been working together for MANY years, so NISRA has extended an invitation to Top Cats for the retirement open house party. Watch for the Mass Blast with details and information.

Last Blast President's Ride will be to Pontiac, Illinois on June 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. It promises to be a good time with many interesting sites to see and some 'Presidential' service by the town of Pontiac.

#### **Past President's Comments:** Mike Bradbury

No updates for tonight.

#### **Vice President's Report:** Larry Scalzitti

No updates for tonight

#### **Secretary's Report:** Mary Walters

The ROAR has been published for June. New ideas are welcome. See Mary Walters to hear how easy it is to get your information published.

Roster changes have all been made and the Top Cats are now 66 members strong.

#### **Treasurer's Report:** Stewart Johnson

No information for tonight. All things are updated and current. The club is financially secure at this time.

#### **Activities / Awards:** Gene Rigsby

##### **Activities**

Week-ends for the next two months are close to being completely filled. There will be numerous opportunities to ride and to make good memories with friends! There is a good deal of excitement and anticipation for the upcoming season. See the Website for all of the details – and make plans now!

##### **Awards**

No new updates at this time.

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## General Meeting, Continued

**Safety / Charity:** Ric Case

### Charity

The committee is working diligently to finalize the details for the event on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Donations are coming in, but the committee is asking each member to bring in ONE item for the raffle! Please take time to get these items and ensure the success of the event!

There are 33 Top Cats already registered for the event... This is great, BUT... we have 66 members! Let's get the number of registered members moved up to 100%!

### Safety

Tonight's Safety Tip was given by Bard Boand. He spoke of the important aspects of trailering your bike.

Loading, unloading and securing the bike were just the beginning of the information.

Members joined in the discussion and other suggestions included:

Don't keep the covers on the bikes when trailering, as they will damage the paint if the cover is loose.

Having a camera in the trailer or on the back of the car can allow you to see what is happening with the bikes at all times, and you can make adjustments before real damage happens.

*For all details, see the June ROAR Kaution Korner Article.*

Road Captain – Professional courses are required for the Senior Road Captains in the club every three years.

The club will cover ½ of the expenses incurred for the course.

**Guest Speakers: Motorcycling: US vs, Germany.** Jurgen & Oli Lutz

Prices of Bikes and Parts are much higher in Germany

Gasoline is \$8.80/gal!

German Roads are in great shape, but contrary to common thought... THERE ARE SPEED LIMITS!

Many Traffic Circles in Germany, which assists with traffic flow.

TUV is the motorcycle inspection agency. Any changes made to the bike must be TUV approved and the paperwork is documented, registered and must be kept with the bike at all times. If you are found to have undocumented parts on the bike, it can be confiscated by the TUV agency.

German law requires helmets at all time. All of Europe's 27 countries require helmets.

**Products / Membership:** Emil Kornecki

### Membership

New members, recently admitted to the Top Cats Ranks are Cindy and Don DeLordo. They were welcomed by the club and Emil gave Cindy their new member packet tonight.

### Products

Lisa Purcell reviewed what stock we have at this time and discussed the ideas that the Products committee has been looking at for future sales.

**History/Web Site:** Jeff Tietz

### Web Site

Rich Flynn's information on the website will be tabled this month so that our guest speakers will have more time to speak.

### History

History Discussion by Ric Case will be kept for another time, since Ric has been hospitalized for a knee replacement. All of the membership wishes him a quick recovery.

All of our best to you, Ric!

**50 / 50** was pulled by Jim Purcell and \$22.50 and was won by Gene Rigsby. Also....Russ Pfeiffer ran off with a T-shirt!





## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

### JUNE 10TH, 2014

Emil Kornecki's Home

Barrington, Illinois

Submitted by Mary Walters

*Present: Emil Kornecki, Jeff Tietz, Gene Rigsby, Wayne Kirkpatrick, Mary Walters, Mike Bradbury, Stewart Johnson. Larry Scalzitti*

*Absent: Ric Case*

#### **President:**

Call to Order by Wayne Kirkpatrick at 7:30.

Tonight's meeting has many issues that need to be addressed.

**Vice President:** Larry Scalzitti

There was no report from Larry tonight.

**Secretary:** Mary Walters

ROAR is always in need of new ideas. The New Square that was acquired by the club will be marketed in the ROAR for next month.

Master Roster updates have been made to the Grass Classes, the membership and the mass blast Rosters

The Mass Blast Roster was adjusted to include the DeLords as the newest members. All members should be receiving the Blasts at this time.

**Treasurer:** Stewart Johnson

There was a discussion on how to present the financial information of the club to the members at the general meetings without making it overly detailed or redundant. Stewart will continue to explain expenses as needed each month.

**Past President:** Mike Bradbury

Mike stated that he is always ready to assist as needed and support the events of the club. He is leading two rides this summer and is looking forward to the other summer events.

**Director:** Gene Rigsby

#### **Activities**

Gene reviewed the events that are coming up for the next two months. The calendar is filled and the rides promise to be a great deal of fun. See the Website Calendar for details.

#### **Awards**

All of the membership dates have been verified and the rockers were ordered and delivered. They will be handed out at the next meeting.

**Director:** Emil Kornecki

#### **Membership**

Emil brought 3 riders on the Aunt Millie's ride on June 8<sup>th</sup>. He will continue to be in contact and discuss membership with them.

#### **Products**

2014 – Lisa Purcell is excited about getting options for the ladies in the club.





**Director:** Ric Case

## **Safety**

The next GRASS Class 21<sup>st</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> of October.

There have been a number of members that have asked for another class before October. Wayne will poll the members at the next general meeting for a show of interest.

The board all agreed to donate \$100 from the club to NISRA in the name of Ric Case. This will be done in lieu of flowers.

## **Charity**

Committee Update was given by Gene Rigsby. He stated that the committee has made flyers, posters, and is on schedule for the July 27<sup>th</sup> event.

**Director:** Jeff Tietz

## **History**

No update this evening.

## **Web Site**

The website domain name will need to be renewed on July 6<sup>th</sup>. It will cost \$80 for 5 years along with a \$12/year or \$60 for 5 years cost for the privacy component.

Jeff Tietz moved that we spend \$80 for the renewal and \$60 for the added privacy. Emil Kornecki seconded the motion and it was approved by all present.

There was discussion about the compatibility of the new Website with other personal systems.

At this time, Jeff is looking into a new program for the website.

## **Insurance Policy Evaluation**

### **Insurance Discussion:**

Jeff Tietz compiled the insurance information for renewing the club's coverage.

The Board agreed by a majority vote, that after individual evaluation of our criteria, the focus of the discussion and the decision would include the top 10 criteria and eliminate the bottom 7 criteria.

Five companies submitted proposals. All five quotes would issue the policy with the Officers and Directors (O&D) coverage at 1 million dollars. Four out of the five had only the O&D in their proposal and they quoted ride insurance separately. Only one included ride insurance in the quote. All policies have 'terrorist' clauses, because they are now required to provide that coverage by Federal Law.

Jeff presented the quotes for the five companies on the O and D policy.

Company	O and D Cost	Umbrella Coverage
A	\$957	
B	\$744	
C	\$804	
D	\$998	
E (West Bend)	\$495	\$750

General Liability Insurance was part of our coverage for all of the years that we have had West Bend Insurance.

It was not needed according to the lawyer and other insurance agencies that Jeff spoke to when doing his research.

Jeff Tietz made the motion that we drop the General Liability Insurance, add umbrella coverage of 1 million at the cost of \$750. Gene Rigsby seconded the motion. And the board passed the motion with a majority vote.

We now have a SQUARE that will allow us to make direct payments to our Club account for purchasing products, making payment for annual club dues, or making donations to NISRA and our Ride for Dreams! Try it out!

This will make Club business easier and more convenient!

For everyone!

**The meeting adjourned at 9:35.**





# The Day is almost here!

July 27th, 2014  
Top Cat's 17th Annual  
Ride for Dreams  
Benefitting NISRA

What can you do?

Register to Ride that Day!

Register Friends and Family!

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Talk To Noelle Rigsby to find out more!





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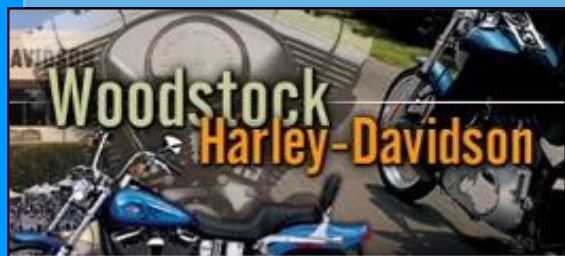
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## HELP WANTED WEBSITE EDITOR

The Top Cats Board of Directors is looking for an enterprising and creative individual to assume responsibility for coordinating the content on our soon-to-be upgraded website. No 'technical' website experience is required.

The primary responsibility will be to work with the webmaster and various individuals who 'own' certain areas of the website to ensure our content is fresh and inviting as well as come up with ideas for additional content and enhancements to the site to bring more value to our members.

For more information contact any board member or

Richard Flynn

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## WANTED



## Top Cats Historian

The Top Cats Board is looking for a member to become official historian for the club.

Over the next year we want to create a written and oral history of our club that we can share with existing, new, and potential members.

The club turns 15 in 2010. Many of our legacy members have or will be moving on. We want to capture their and others' stories of our humble beginnings as well as favorite tales of the road.

If you have an interest in becoming Top Cats Historian or being a part of this activity please contact Dennis P. (Wombat) Dougherty at [wombat@dpdougherty.com](mailto:wombat@dpdougherty.com)



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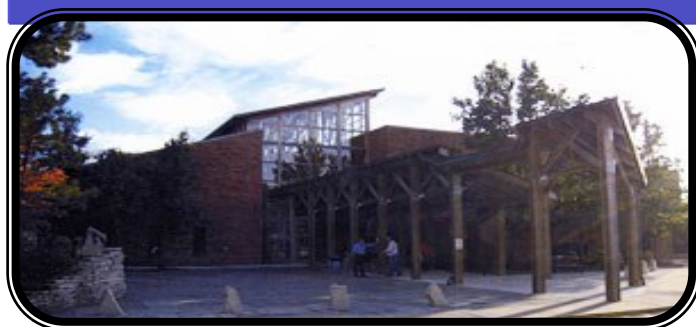
## RIDES & EVENTS

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Date	Ride/Event	Location	Destination	Time	Leader
Tuesday, July 1st	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Kirkpatrick
Tuesday, July 8h	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Kirkpatrick
Sat/Sun July 12-13	Run to the River	Rtes 176//14 McD's / Citgo	Prairie Du Chien, Wi	7:30	Walters
Tuesday, June 15th	Franks and Fries	Grayslake	Dog 'N Suds	6:30 pm	Scalzitti
Sunday, July 20th	Fly In	BP—21 and Grand Gurnee	East Troy Airport	7:00 am	Johnson
Sunday, July 27th	RIDE FOR DREAMS	WOODSTOCK HD	WOODSTOCK HD	9:00 am	Noelle Rigsby
Wed 7/30 to Sun 8/6	Sturgis	Mc D's at Ela & 12	South Dakota	8:00 am	Boand
Tuesday, August 5th	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Kirkpatrick
Saturday, August 9th	White Fence Farms Ride	TBD	Joliet, Il	8:00 am	Brandt
Sunday, August 10th	Mendota Sweet Corn Ride	TBD	Mendota, Il	8:30 am	Johnson
Tuesday, August 12th	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Kirkpatrick
Tuesday, August 19th	Franks and Fries	Hot Dog Ritchies	Palatine	6:30 pm	Scalzitti
Sunday, August 31st	Cantigny	TBD	Wheaton, Il	9:00 am	Flynn

All ride and event information along with the Photo Gallery can be found at



### Barrington Library

#### Location and Hours

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Barrington, IL 60010

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See the Top Cats Archive

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This offer is for Top Cats business owners only. We are not accepting advertising for other businesses at this time.

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