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## Upcoming Events

### JANUARY

- 8 GENERAL MEETING
- 15 BOARD MEETING
- 19 SHOOT OUT
- 26 CHILI COOK-OFF
- 27 SR. ROAD CAPTAIN MTG

### FEBRUARY

- 5 GENERAL MEETING
- 12 BOARD MEETING
- 16 IMCS AND BREAKFAST
- 16 TOP CAT BANQUET

Talk to Gene Rigsby or Jim Purcell to get your ride on the Calendar!



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Note:  
JANUARY MEETING:  
JANUARY 8TH

2019



## PRESIDENT'S POINT

And Now a Word from your President...



Hello Top Cats!!

I hope you and your families are enjoying the holiday season and are set for the new year that is upon us. My best wishes to all.

This year has not even started and it is already shaping up to be a great year for the Top Cats. We are kicking off the year with a bang, which is why Top Cats - Illinois is the premier motorcycle riding club in the Chicagoland area.

The first activities of the year are set for :

- ✦ 1/19 - the Shootout (Case)
- ✦ 1/26 The 2019 Chili Cook-off (L. Purcell). There are some very fun, extra activities planned for the cook-off so don't miss it.

### **TOP CAT'S** **JANUARY MEETING**

**WE WILL MEET ON THE 8TH...  
SO THAT WE CAN EAT, PLAY  
WITH FAMILY AND WATCH  
FOOTBALL ON NEW YEAR'S  
DAY!**

✦ The RC GRASS class is scheduled for 1/27. This class is open to all members but the RCs will meet after, vying to be the first to get their rides on the calendar early. So S/RCs, get your ideas together and bring them to the GRASS class so we can all get excited about and plan to attend your rides.

✦ And shortly after these activities, we are planning a breakfast and trip to the International Motorcycle Show for Feb 16.

✦ That same day (2/16) is our annual club dinner. More details about these activities soon.

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time via my email: [Gene.rigsby@gmail.com](mailto:Gene.rigsby@gmail.com), or phone, 847-770-9425.



### V.P.'s Vision

By: Mary 'Trooper' Kirkpatrick

Looking forward to seeing you there....  
Gene "Lucky" Rigsby

HAPPY New Year, Top Cats! It is with a great deal of happiness that this greeting is coming to you.... From the VP section of

the ROAR! Thanks to Gene for selecting me to fill his last year as VP! I am looking forward to working with our Board... and YOU...to create a memorable 2019 riding season for us all. As Gene has mentioned above, we already have events to enjoy, and they will also give us time to plan the rides for the year. Please join us and bring your ideas!

For these next few months, while the weather is a challenge to the ride, take the opportunity to be sure that you are ready for the 2019 season. \*Check on your bike and schedule maintenance, make adjustments or upgrades so that you can confidently ride out when the weather allows. \*Read about the places that you would like to visit this summer and plan a ride for the club. \*Attend the GRASS class this month and make sure that you are up on the safety aspects of the ride. \*Check your Insurance Coverage. Make sure you have the coverage that you need! Ready yourself, your bike and begin dreaming about the possibilities!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Chili Cook-Off!

Trooper, MAK







## KAUTION KORNER



### Risk vs Reward

Situations you may want to Avoid!

By: Traveler, Sr. Road Captain



There have been many recent articles regarding times and circumstances that should discourage us from riding.

to be hot in the afternoon, plan to arrive at your destination early to avoid that heat.



Annually, we all ride either solo or in group rides, over-night rides, and long – distance rides to far – away places. We get excited about the adventure of riding with friends to new places and discover-

ing new areas to ride to. We need to be sure that the excitement of riding doesn't override the common-sense rules of safe riding.

There are many situations that should make us think twice about heading out on a nice day, with a good bike, on an adventurous ride. While we all have different thresholds of discomfort, there are some environments that contribute directly to unsafe riding.

We need to always remember that, if something is unsafe to us as riders, it is also unsafe to those who we are riding with and, our co-riders.

Smart and experienced riders recognize, and avoid dangerous and hazardous situations like these:



### Heat

Heat has many affects on riders and on our bikes. High ambient temperatures contribute to higher engine temps that radiate more heat on

the rider. Heat and wind are the "Perfect Storm" for dehydration, sunburn and fatigue. There is nothing wrong with leaving early, or later, when it is cooler than mid – morning or afternoon. It's smart to plan your ride that way also. If you know that it is going

### Cold

Even though this is the opposite of riding in extreme heat, it can be disastrous to a rider. NEVER judge temperature in your driveway or a parking lot. Remember a thing

called wind-chill. At 50 degrees temps, riding at 50 mph, the wind chill factor is 25 frigid degrees.

Not only do you risk hypothermia and frost bite but, cold weather also reduces traction posing yet another hazard. Heated riding gear doesn't help much when you encounter slick roads.



### Attitude

We all know that motorcycle riding requires concentration. Our state of mind can enhance or erode our concentration. If you are worried, mad,

focused on something other than your riding skills, you are reducing your ability to ride safely.

### Technical Distractions

So it's cool to have a phone on your handlebars or synched to your intercom so you can talk? Dumb!

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## KK, Continued...

Bike – to – bike communications? Dumb. Texting, or verbally using the internet? Absurd. Don't give me that multi-tasking crap....it's still a distraction. Focus on your riding skills and nothing else to enhance your riding safety. Tip: If you encounter another rider abusing technology by texting, surfing, etc, best bet is to get away from them!



## Inclement Weather

Define it any way you want to but, if the weather becomes a distraction, you are riding in an unsafe environment. Getting caught in bad

weather is another situation. Heading out in bad weather is simply not smart.

Regardless of the riding gear you have (heated clothes, full rain suites, full faced helmets, etc,) riding in anything less than clear and comfortable weather requires us to adjust our riding style. Wind, rain, snow, sleet, all require reduced speed but....the best solution to bad weather is.....don't go out in it or pull off and wait for it to pass.



## Health

No one feels 100% healthy 100% of the time. Know your body and mind well enough to detect when you aren't physically or mentally, at 100%. Sure, riding is therapeutic, but it can also be hazardous to your health if you are ill or just not feeling



1st - Wayne Kirkpatrick  
2nd - Noelle Rigby

Happy Days to our Top Cats Celebrities  
for January  
Let us know your special Dates so that  
we can celebrate with you!

well. Sometimes a nice patio chair in the sun is much better medicine than riding.

If you are taking medication for an illness make damn sure that the medication does not affect your riding coordination, reaction time or any of you senses; vision, hearing, judgement, etc.



## Risk and Reward

Motorcycle riding is, unarguably, a high – risk endeavor. However, motorcycle riding is also a high-reward endeavor. When we add

factors like those we discussed here, it increases the risk and reduces the reward. Not only does it make riding less safer, it does so to our co-riders and our fellow riders.



January 26th...  
Come to the  
General Meeting on  
the 8th to get  
details!



## January Birthdays and Anniversaries!

No Anniversaries  
In January!





## Oil Spots

By Traveler



### Today, One In Five Motorcyclists Are Women



More and more women are getting out there and enjoying motorcycles.

The Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) released news today that nearly one in five motorcycles on the

road today are ridden by females in the US. The MIC polled 2,472 adults via the 2018 Motorcycle/ATV Owner Survey, discovering that women make up 19 percent of American motorcycle owners, regardless of age. This marks a 5 percent increase from 2014 and 9 percent from 2009.

Results from the survey also shed light on how much money they spend a year on maintenance, modifications, and accessories (average), with ladies spending \$574 per year—\$77 more than the average male rider.

“Over the past decade, more women are designing riding gear and other products specifically for female riders, working in major companies or creating their own brands,” says the MIC’s new vice president and general manager of events, Cinnamon Kernes. “Having gear designed for women by women was a huge step and has certainly helped encourage female ridership.”

Other findings conclude that 66 percent of lady riders claim their family and friends have a generally positive perception of two-wheeled vehicles, including motorcycles and scooters.

“As the number of boomer and mature motorcyclists shrink and are replaced by newer riders, we could soon be looking at a solid 25 percent of motorcycle owners being female,” says Andria Yu, MIC director of communications.

“We’ve seen many more women riders—on the roads, on the trails, on the track, with families, at motorcycling

events, forming clubs, and just being part of everyday group rides. Many people in the industry have worked some 30 years to achieve this, and now the data confirms it: More and more women are getting out there and enjoying motorcycles.”

### First Road Grub Throwdown Food Competition To Launch At Sturgis

Ray “Dr. BBQ” Lampe will emcee series of motorsports food shows, with the first coming in 2019

Ribs? Wings? The theme for each day’s Road Grub competition varies, so you’ll have to show up and see for yourself.



Road trips, rallies, short rides, what have you—it just seems like riding a bike and then having a bite to eat after-

ward is the natural order of events. So maybe we should embrace that whole ritual? Well, it looks like somebody has—Road Grub Shows LLC has just announced its inaugural Road Grub Throwdown, to take place August 5–9 at the 2019 Sturgis rally in South Dakota. And they’ve even got the right guy to emcee the event; it’ll be infamous pit-master and BBQ Author, Ray “Dr. BBQ” Lampe himself holding court over the contestants.



But just what is a Road Grub Throwdown? In basic terms, it’s a food competition (held at some of the largest motorcycle and car events in the country) that’s set up complete with a panel of judges and a surrounding

vendor area. A Road Grub Throwdown consists of 10 to 15 contestants cooking food on a time limit to be judged on their results by a panel of three judges, consisting of two culinary professionals and one well-known powersports industry professional.

Each entrant gets a 10 x 10-foot space for setup, with the grill/outdoor cooker and utensils provided. The theme for each day changes; one day it may be chili, one day may be hot wings. You decide which battle(s) you want to fight, so if you’re really feeling froggy, you’re welcome to enter multiple competitions.

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## Oil Spots, Continued...

The top three competitors each day win cash and prizes, and the overall points champion for the entire Throw-down wins a grand prize that's sure to be coveted. And all throughout the days-long event, there'll be cooking demos by sponsors, spotlights on local restaurants, and plenty of top-quality cooking and grub items in the surrounding vendor area. RGS says they'll even have a catering tent for attendees where they'll be able to buy awesome food from local culinary talent serving great grub of their own.



to step up to the grill and battle it out for awards and prizes at their very own food event.

On top of the Sturgis event, even more Road Grub Throw-downs are being planned for some of the largest rallies in the US for 2019 and 2020. Looks like a good time for gearheads

## Top 10 motorcycle films to watch this year

If TV listings are leaving you as cold as the weather this year, why not get your two-wheel fix with one of these great films featuring motorcycles? There's only so many times you can re-watch football playoffs anyway.



## Easy Rider



With a top-notch cast - Peter Fonda, Dennis Hopper, Jack Nicholson - and a moral message for us all to absorb, very few films can change your perception on life. However, this is one of them.

Not only is Easy Rider a great motorbike movie, it's also a bona fide slice of Americana that explores the drug-taking, commune-residing hippy counterculture of the 1960s.

## Restless Natives

If Easy Rider is a bit too obvious, why not try something a little less well-known from Scotland? For those (we assume, the majority of you) who haven't yet enjoyed 1985's Restless Natives, prepare yourself for some 'Local Hero' style charm.



Filmed in Glasgow, Edinburgh and the Highlands, this story follows two teenagers who make a living as modern highwaymen on their [Suzuki](#) GP125 - becoming local folk heroes and a tourist attraction along the way.

It sounds silly on paper but stick with it - Restless Natives is well worth a watch, especially with a soundtrack by Big Country and cameos by Mel Smith, Ned Beatty and Bernard Hill.

## The World's Fastest Indian

Having already played Donald Campbell in the BBC film Across The Lake, it was only a matter of time before speed-junkie Anthony Hopkins brought legendary bike racer Burt Munro back to life for the silver screen. Not



every aspect is historically accurate, but don't let that stop you enjoying the incredible true story.

## On Any Sunday

Still legendary among riders, even 47 years on, On Any Sunday was not only nominated for a 1972 Academy Award for best documentary but was also backed by Steve McQueen - the coolest man ever to have graced Planet Earth.

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## Oil Spots, Continued

Still considered the most important motorcycle documentary ever produced, the film's impact popularized BMX biking across the world. Featuring old-school desires from Triumph, Husqvarna, Harley-Davidson, Honda, Yamaha and Suzuki, this is compulsory viewing for any bike enthusiast.

## On Any Sunday - The Next Chapter

On Any Sunday, The Next Chapter  
Official Trailer



Four decades after the original documentary, On Any Sunday - The Next Chapter shows that the passion for riding motorcycles is as strong as it

ever was. Directed by Dana Brown, this new film captures just what motorcycling means to people all over the globe. The film is an exploration into the pursuit of excitement, passion and life in the world of motorcycle riding.

## Hitting the Apex

From Mark Neale, the director of *Faster and Fastest*, *Hitting the Apex* tells the inside story of six of the most talented motorcycle riders in the MotoGP paddock as they battle against each other for the ultimate prize.

Brad Pitt narrates the stories of each rider, as we follow them through the exhilarating highs of winning a MotoGP race, and the crushing lows that the sport can deliver.



## TT - Closer to the Edge



ness, Conor Cummins and Ian Hutchinson.

If you've ever wondered what could possibly motivate a rider to take part in the Isle of Man TT, then *Closer to the Edge* is the film for you. Featuring behind-the-scenes access to some of the biggest names in road racing, including Guy Martin, John McGuinness, Conor Cummins and Ian Hutchinson.

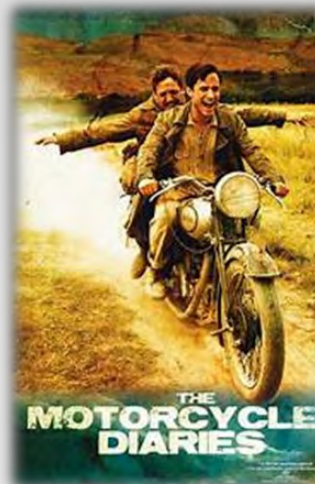
## Torque

Suspend belief for 84 minutes and forget about the laws of physics with this film from the producer of *The Fast and the Furious* which centers around underground motorcycle racers.

You will also find *Torque* in MCN's list of movie mistakes: when the films get motorbikes wrong as it features a host of gravity-defying stunts and motorcycling impossibilities. It's just a bit of fun though...



## The Motorcycle Diaries



This coming-of-age road movie documents the journey taken by 23-year-old medical student, Ernesto Guevara (who went on to be known as Che) across Latin America.

The film is based on the travel diary Ernesto kept during his 14,000km journey, from Argentina through Chile, Peru, and Colombia to Venezuela and documents some of the experiences which led him on the path towards his future as Marxist revolutionary.

## Take it to the Limit

In 1980, the motorcycle racing world was casting its gaze on Daytona. The best competitors from four continents came to ride the most sophisticated machinery the era had to offer. Within those ranks were the legends: Roberts, Baker, Sheene, Hailwood, DeCoster, Collins, Penhall-all of whom were the vital forces of racing, the best of the "good old days," now largely the grey - beards whose accomplishments still haunt the sport. That was 30 years ago, multiple lifetimes in racing, and a single lifetime ago for a movie about the sport, *Take it to the Limit*, and for its filmmaker: Peter Starr.



## Uggggh! Gen X, Millennials...

By Traveler



So glad that most of us are Baby Boomers and still experiencing all that we can. The generation behind us will never know what they missed.....or understand what we did and why we did it. Apparently, all of the Baby-Boomers now have motorcycles.

Generation X is only buying a few, and the next generation isn't buying any at all. A recent study was done to find out why?



*Here are the reasons why*

*Millennials don't ride motorcycles:*

1. Pants won't pull up far enough for them to straddle the seat.
2. Can't get their phone to their ear with a helmet on.
3. Can't use 2 hands to eat while driving.
4. They don't get a trophy and a recognition plaque just for buying one.
5. Don't have enough muscle to hold the bike up when stopped.
6. Might have a bug hit them in the face and then they would need emergency care.



7. Motorcycles don't have air conditioning.

8. They can't afford one because they spent 12 years in college trying to get a degree in Humanities, Social Studies or

Gender Studies for which no jobs are available.

9. They are allergic to fresh air.

10. Their pajamas get caught on the exhaust pipes.

11. They might get their hands dirty checking the oil.

12. Handle bars have buttons and levers and can't be controlled by touch-screen.

13. You have to shift manually and use something called a clutch.

14. It's too hard to take selfies while riding.

15. They don't come with training wheels like their bicycles did.

16. Motorcycles don't have power steering or power brakes.

17. Their nose ring interferes with the face shield.

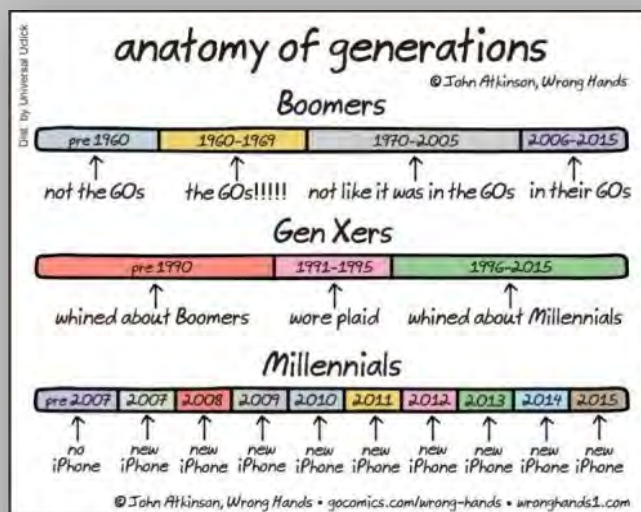
18. They would have to use leg muscle to back up.

19. When they stop, a light breeze might blow exhaust in their face.

20. It could rain on them and expose them to non-soft water.

21. It might scare their therapy dog, and then the dog would need therapy.

22. Can't get the motorcycle down the basement stairs of their parent's home.







## Sturgis, First Call???

By Traveler

When we hear "First Call" it typically indicates the first chance to get in on something. When we hear "Last Call" it typically indicates the pending loss of an opportunity to do something that we enjoy. It's no different when it's applied to our annual trek to the Black Hills and Sturgis Bike Week.

This year is the 79th Anniversary of the legendary

Sturgis Motorcycle Rally and, possibly one of the most exciting Top Cats' group rides to Sturgis.

The increasing interest of our members in this iconic Black Hills Rally, combined with

better negotiated travel and rally expenses appears to be generating the excitement we traditionally experienced as a club over our annual rides to Sturgis.

If you have the interest and you can afford the time and the cost of the trip, then you'd better make your hotel reservations for Sturgis ASAP for what might be the best, long – distance Top Cats' ride to the Black Hills Rally yet....

As we do every year, we will take a leisurely ride to Rapid City, SD staying in Mankato, MN the first night, Pierre, SD the second night, and new for this year, we'll stay at the Franklin Hotel in the wild-west town of

Deadwood, SD for two nights on the way to Rapid City the fifth and remaining nights.



**WARNING:**  
As this edition goes to publication, we are close to 180 days away from our cut - off date of 1 June 2019 for mak-

ing or cancelling hotel reservations at the Alex Johnson Hotel in Rapid City, SD.

As most riders realize, it is difficult to plan a ride if you have no idea of how many riders will participate.

Once we have an idea of how many Top Cats are going to Sturgis, this year, we will publish our group departure times and location and, canvas our riders for interest in returning home via, Natchez Trace, Santa Fe Trail, Pikes Peak, Angle Fire, Dodge City, Kansas back roads, or a direct return home.



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## We Saddled Up and Voted!

By Traveler

At our 4 December general meeting, the Club voted for two open director positions and for the President position for the 2019-2020 term.

Consistent with our By Laws, members in good standing voted by ballot and elected the following members to two-year terms in the positions indicated:



**President**  
**(2019-2020):**

Gene Rigsby

**Director**

**(2019-2020):**

Ted Makarewicz

**Director**

**(2019-2020):**

Greg Smith

Our sincere thank you to all of the individuals who accepted nominations to run for a director position. The Club is rich in talent with members like those folks.

**Effective 1 January 2019,  
our Board of Directors will consist of:**



**President (2019-2020):**

Gene Rigsby



**Vice President (2019):**

Mary Kirkpatrick



**Secretary (2018-2019):**

Ron Kostus



**Treasurer (2018-2019):**

Noelle Rigsby



**Serving Past**  
**President: (2019-2020):**

Wayne Kirkpatrick



**Director (2019-2020):**

Ted Makarewicz



**Director (2019-2020):**

Greg  
Smith



**Director (2019-2020):**

Lisa Purcell



**Director (2019-2020):**

Ric Case

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## Election Results, Continued

When a Board position is vacated before the end of a two-year term, the President appoints a qualified member to fill that position until the next election cycle.

That is the case with the Vice President position that was vacated by Gene Rigsby to allow him to run for President. Gene, as President, has elected to appoint Mary Kirkpatrick to fill out the remaining year (2019) as Vice President. The same is true for the director position that Mary Kirkpatrick vacated to step up to fill the Vice President position. Gene has appointed Ric Case to serve the remaining year (2019) of that director position.



At the end of 2019, both of those positions will be included in the next election cycle.

When you get the chance, please take the time to do three things:

1. Congratulate our new Board members.
2. Thank all of those great members who ran for office.
3. Thank the outgoing President and Directors for their time, effort, dedication, and passion for making Top Cats the stellar club that it is today.



May your 2019 dreams  
be sparkling....

## Sturgis, continued

So, if you are "on the fence" about this year's Sturgis trip, or you just haven't gotten around to making hotel reservations, better saddle up and make them now. Remember, you can always cancel reservations, but you can't re-negotiate our contract room rates after the cut-off dates.

If you can even get a hotel room, typical Bike Week hotel rates will run from between \$350 / night to \$700 / night for a luxury hotel equal to the Alex Johnson. We have negotiated our annual contract with the Hotel Alex Johnson for a special rate ranging from \$169 / night to \$214 / night.

Here's the info for hotel reservations. You must state that you are reserving your room under the Top Cats block to receive our rates.

**Mon, 29 July 2019 :** City Center Hotel, Mankato, MN. (Arrive 29 July, Depart 30 July) \$89.00 / night + tax, Contact Front Desk, (507) 345-1234, **Cut-off: 15 July**

**Tue, 30 July 2019:** Baymont Inn, Pierre, SD. (Arrive 30 July, Depart 31 July) Single \$62.00, double \$65.00+ tax Contact: Ron or Sonia (605) 224-4140 **Cut-Off: 15 July**

**\*NEW! Wed & Thur, 31 July and 1 August 2019:** Franklin Hotel/Casino, Deadwood, SD, (Arrive 31 July, Depart 2 August) \$145.00 / night + tax. Contact Front Desk, (800) 584-7005, ext 3, **Cut-Off: 10 July**

**Fri to Tue, 2 - 6 August 2019:** Hotel Alex Johnson, Rapid City, SD. (Arr 2 Aug, Dpt 7 Aug or Anytime) Thurs: \$169, Fri: \$214 forward: \$214, Contact Front Desk, (800) 888-ALEX (2539) **Cut-Off: 1 June or you PAY one night booked!**

Please let Wayne; [wkirkpa177@aol.com](mailto:wkirkpa177@aol.com), Cell: (847) 915-8428, or Bard; [bard.boand@att.net](mailto:bard.boand@att.net), Cell: (847) 721-7470, know when you make your hotel res-



ervations so we can finalize our departure times and start to develop our return trip route / plans.

*Remember, life is like one tank of gas....it eventually runs out and it's up to us to decide how to use it. We can burn fuel idling or we can ride through life with a wide – open throttle...*



## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 4TH, 2018

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Ron Kostus, Top Cat Secretary

### President's Section: Mike Bradbury

- ✦ 7:05 pm, meeting called to order – Mike B's last meeting as President.
- ✦ Pledge of Allegiance
- ✦ Guests: Gary Graham new member, Joey Rizzo who has attended previously
- ✦ Birthdays: 12/7: Emil K.
- ✦ Noelle R. and Wayne K. light hearted jokes.



### Safety: Ric Case

- ✦ 1/27/19 Senior road captain and road captain meeting, Keller Williams, 600 Hart Rd., Barrington
- ✦ Ric C. presented an explanation of the five modules of the G.R.A.S.S. class upcoming
- ✦ Kaution Korner – “Winterizing your riding gear” refer to the Roar for complete details.

### Activities/Awards: Jim Purcell

- ✦ 12/11: Top Cats board meeting – new board members confirmed.
- ✦ 12/9: Christkindle Market: Naperville, IL. Mary K.
- ✦ 1/8: Top cats general meeting – Alley 64.
- ✦ 1/15: Top cats board meeting – Alley 64.
- ✦ 1/19: Top cats shoot-out – On Target, Crystal Lake, Ric C.
- ✦ 1/26: Chili cook off – Mc Henry Harley – Lisa P.
- ✦ 1/27: Senior Road Captain and Road captain meeting – Keller Williams, 600 Hart Road, Barrington.
- ✦ 2/15 thru 2/17: International Motorcycle show – Gene R. to put together breakfast and show meeting.
- ✦ Noelle R. received her Road Captain rocker.

### Video presentation: Ron Kostus

- ✦ MC Rider “Lack of focus can be deadly”,
- ✦ Audience comments and discussion followed ; another well received presentation

### 2019 Election: Wayne Kirkpatrick

- ✦ 2019 open positions: president, vice-president, 2 directors, 1 director to be appointed.
- ✦ 17 of 19 Top Cats voted for the open positions.
- ✦ Vice – President open position to be filled by Mary K.
- ✦ Ted M. and Greg S. were voted in for the two open board positions.
- ✦ Announcement that Noelle Rigsby is our newest Road Captain.

50/50 Raffle: Jim Purcell— Winner was Greg S. - \$35.00

### Presentation to outgoing President:

- ✦ Gene R. presented Mike B. with an engraved “Buck” knife for his work as president.



Meeting adjourned : Mike B. 8:30 pm.





## BOARD MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 11TH, 2018

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Ron Kostus, Top Cat Secretary

### President's Section: Mike Bradbury

- ✦ 7:01 p.m. meeting called to order.
- ✦ Welcome new board members: Ted M. and Greg S., Mary K. as Vice-president.

- ✦ Club tax filing 501-C3: Ted M. to take over filing due to his familiarity with the process.
- ✦ Club membership up to 32 members to date.
- ✦ Products status – Lisa P. to inventory what we have and report to the board within a month.

### Activities/Awards: Gene Rigsby

- 1/19: Top cats Shoot-out – On-Target, Crystal Lake, Ric C.
- ✦ 1/26: Chili cook-off, Lisa P. – McHenry Harley, 11:30am.confirmed, board approved \$150.00 for this event.
- ✦ 1/27: Senior road captain / road captain meeting; Keller Williams, Hart Road, Barrington. Ric C.
- ✦ 2/16: Annual banquet: Onion Pub, Barrington.
- ✦ 2/17: International motorcycle show – Gene R. to put together breakfast spot and gathering at the show.
- ✦ Board approved \$75.00 for flowers to be sent to Holly Dorn's mother who is in hospice at this time. Lisa P. to confirm.

### Safety: Ric Case

- ✦ Mike B. has agreed to become the new Road Captain Committee Chair.
- ✦ Rocker tabs to be determined.

### Membership:

- ✦ Mike B. suggested we might consider having a secondary membership person available to make presentations in Emil's absence.
- ✦ Suggestion was made to add one product either a t-shirt or ball cap to the membership package.

### Treasury: Noelle Rigsby

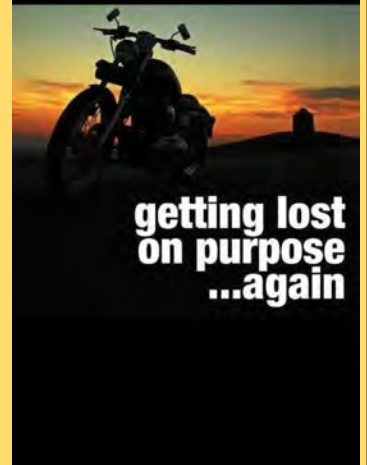
- ✦ Reviewed Club account and Charity accounts – balances available upon request.
- ✦ Mark Sullivan's late application was approved and accepted.

### 2019 Election: Wayne Kirkpatrick

- ✦ One open director position to be appointed by the in-coming President.
- ✦ Wayne K. suggested that all board members review the Top Cats "Bylaws".
- ✦ Wayne K. to hold position of past-president once again.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm: Mike Bradbury

**Cant Wait  
to be...**



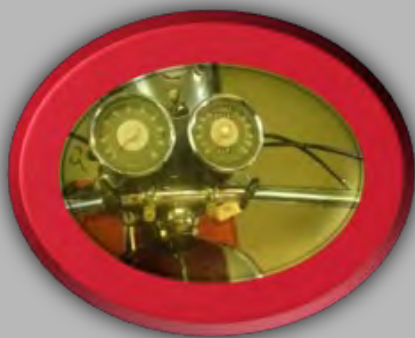


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**Eat with Top Cats on  
January 26th...  
Come to the General  
Meeting on the 8th to  
get details!**







## RIDES & EVENTS

Date	Ride/Event	Location	Destination	Time	Leader
Tuesday, January 8th	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Rigsby
Tuesday, January 15th	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Rigsby
Saturday, January 19th	Shoot-Out	Crystal Lake	On Target	7:00 AM	Case
Saturday, January 26th	Chili Cook-Off	McHenry	Harley Davidson	HIGH NOON	M Kirkpatrick
Sunday, January 27th	RC Meeting	Barrington	Keller-Williams	8am	Case
Tuesday, January 8th	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Rigsby
Tuesday, January 15th	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:30 pm	Rigsby
Saturday, February 16th	IMCS	Rosemont	Donald E Stevens Convention Center	TBD	Rigsby
Saturday, February 16th	TC Banquet	Lake Barrington	Onion Pub	6:00 pm	Bradbury

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