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*Sturgis, and the
Front Range Ride...
What an Adventure!*

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Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

4TH SUNRISE RIDE!
7TH GENERAL MEETING
14TH BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER

5TH GENERAL MEETING
12TH BOARD MEETING

LET'S KEEP LOOKING TO MAKE
RIDES HAPPEN!

Talk to Greg Smith and
Jim Purcell and get
your ideas on the
calendar!





PRESIDENT'S POINT

And Now a Word from your President...



Hello Top Cats!!

I hope you and your families are well and re-adapting to our ever changing times. We will get past this. Stay safe in the meantime and RIDE!!

What's the best way to stay socially distanced...? One second apart!!

A recent weather report said that this was the hottest August recorded since 1871. Great thing is..., it's September and the long awaited riding weather is here. So let's get out and ride!!!

Keeping in mind the safety and wellbeing of ALL our members, we will follow the CDC recommended COVID guidelines so we can take advantage of every opportunity to ride now, and for many years to come.

So, most of the month is wide open for our RCs, or even an aspiring RC to take advantage of and plan a ride. Let me know or contact Greg Smith and we can help out.

Well, as an RC... and seeing the month wide is open, I will put on a Sunrise Ride into Chicago. *We will.....head out on the highway, lookin' for adventure.... Racing with the mind....*

Sorry, got sidetracked... We will take the highway and via LSD, into downtown Chicago, passing many landmarks. Like Soldier Field, Grant Park, The John Hancock building, Oak Street Beach, etc... and end up in Montrose's Harbour for a photo op like you may not have had before. After, we will make our way to The Original Walker Brother's for breakfast and then head back to where we started. I'll have a blast out soon with the details, so keep a lookout for it.

Buddy Check... gene.rigsby@gmail.com...

Please feel free to reach out to me anytime via my email: Gene.rigsby@gmail.com, or phone, 847-770-9425.

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

THE ORIGINAL



SOCIAL DISTANCING

Yates Crossing!



On 5 March 2021, we lost our brother, Bill Yates, whose friendship was cherished by all. Bill left all of us with great memories that will last forever.

So, it is fitting that the Des Plaines Parks Department has named the bridge over Weller Creek, connecting Cumberland Terrace Park and Des Plaines Manor Park... **Yates Crossing**. In addition to his family, his riding club, his job, and his community, Bill was a Des Plaines Park Board Commissioner serving for 22 years.

How appropriate that, as Top Cats, we fly our black bandanna on our left handlebar in memory of Bill and, the city of Des Plaines has also memorialized Bill with "Yates Crossing", a place we should all take time to visit.





KAUTION KORNER

Fall Riding Season has Arrived!

By: Greg Smith
Sr. Road Captain



Wow, it's September and the doors for the Fall ridding season have just opened. Even though Fall starts the winding down of our riding season, this is a time many riders look forward too. A time to enjoy great riding with cooler temps and colorful scenic rides. There are a few things to consider when getting on the road, though... Keep these in mind as you venture out.

The downside of wonderful colors comes falling leaves. We could see the Leaves start to fall in as little as 30 days. As the leaves start falling they blow around and start piling up on lawns driveways and roads causing many road hazards. This is the downside of the vibrant colored leaves.

Many assume wet leaves offer less traction than dry. This may or may not be true. The real question is how dry are the leaves. Leaves hold moisture and as they start to decay they generate more moisture. The leaves on top may appear dry and blowing around. However the leaves underneath, on the road surface, may be wet and starting to decay causing very slippery oily grease like conditions. This is very dangerous especially when accelerating, stopping and cornering. When riding you always do your best to avoid oil on the road. Likewise, you should do your best to avoid leaves.



Another serious condition caused by falling leaves is the covering and camouflaging of road hazards. What may appear to be a small pile of leaves may not be a pile at all but in fact a few leaves covering an obstruction on the road such as a rock, stick, or chunk of asphalt. Patches of leaves may also cover other serious road obstructions such as potholes, large cracks, and uneven road surfaces. All of these serious obstructions could cause you to lose control of your motorcycle. The best thing to do while enjoying all the beauty of a fall ride is to make an effort to avoid riding through those tempting piles and patches of leaves.

Timing is also a consideration as the days start to get shorter. The glare of the sun which sets lower in the horizon can be distracting, even with quality sunglasses. Be certain that the bulbs in your headlights, brake lights and turn signals are all working. Reduce your speed and take the time for extra breaks to give your eyes a chance to rest.

Deer migration and mating season. Autumn is mating and migration season for deer. For that reason, the roads are likely to be filled with more deer, making riders more likely to collide with them. Use extra caution to watch for deer, especially at dusk and nighttime.



Cold tires. For riders with sporty tires, fall is a dangerous season to be riding. Sportier tires have much softer rubber than touring tires. In the cold weather we see in fall, these tires become hard and lose traction. Be sure to reduce your speed and ride with extra caution.

So get out and enjoy fall and all the beautiful colors and scenic rides... Ride Safe Be Safe



Wish You Were Going!

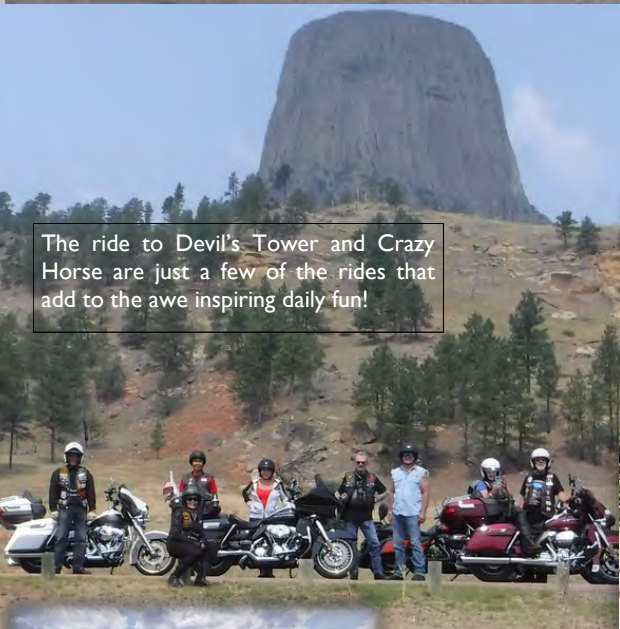
V.P.'s Vision

By: Mary 'Trooper' Kirkpatrick

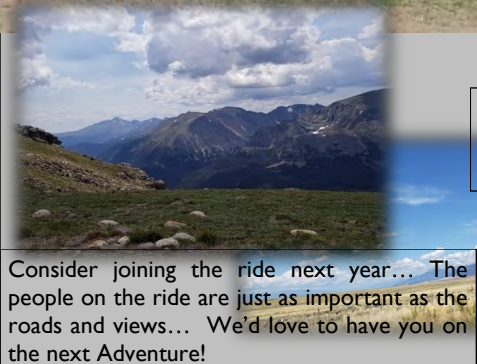
The Badlands... and Wall Drug are the first stop near Sturgis. This ride is so much more than Sturgis... It's "God's Country"!



The ride to Devil's Tower and Crazy Horse are just a few of the rides that add to the awe inspiring daily fun!



And the Front Range Ride is a daily experience of AWESOME! The Views are Majestic and the roads are challenging... Happiness!



Consider joining the ride next year... The people on the ride are just as important as the roads and views... We'd love to have you on the next Adventure!



Just a few pictures to give you a look at the 'West' that we got to see ... More Pictures on the website! It is true! A picture is worth a thousand words! Think about going with us next year! It is truly an inspirational experience!





Oil Spots By Traveler



PIKES PEAK HILL CLIMB DROPS MOTORCYCLE CLASSES



According to a recent announcement, after two years of research, deliberation, thoughtful consideration and advice from colleagues in the motorsports industry, the Board of the Directors of the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb has made the decision to discontinue motorcycle competition as part of the annual Race to the Clouds.



and fans alike,” said Fred Veitch, interim chairman of the board, in the announcement. “This has been a long process and a difficult decision, but we believe it is the right decision and one that is in the best interest of the organization at this time.”

The history of motorcycle racing on Pikes Peak dates back to the very inception of the race in 1916. However, as records have been broken throughout the dec-

“Motorcycle competition has been part of the history of the race off-and-on since 1916, and has been both thrilling and tragic for competitors

ades, tragedy has also befallen the track – ultimately leading to the decision to end it.

ABATE RESPONSE TO NHTSA INVESTIGATIONS OF TESLA AUTOPILOT FEATURE



ABATE learned that NHTSA is investigating TESLA for crashes into first responders caused by their Autopilot systems. In response to this news, ABATE contacted the MRF and issued a statement via Facebook and Statewide Media.

ABATE applauds The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's announcement of an investigation into Tesla Autonomous Vehicle Systems and their collisions with first responder vehicles. The NHTSA announced that they would be investigating Tesla autonomous systems on all Tesla models made since 2014 with regards to crashing into first responder Vehicles while on the side of the road with lights activated.

Illinois has seen more than its fair share of collisions with first responders which has led the Illinois legislature to increase enforcement of what's known as Scott's law in Illinois. The time has come for the Illinois legislature to also regulate these driverless Vehicle systems which act as drivers on Illinois roadways without ever having been subjected to the same level of testing as human drivers.



For many years ABATE has been raising the issue of autonomous driving systems being able to recognize motorcycles and other very common items on the roadway.

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Oil Spots, continued...

This investigation by NHTSA shows that Tesla autonomous systems have issues recognizing first responder Vehicles along the side of the roadway with lights and sirens activated. If Tesla cannot identify these very visible vehicles on the highway, how can we reasonably expect them to identify motorcycles safely?

The time has come for the Illinois Legislature to adopt regulations on the use of Autonomous Driver Systems on Illinois roadways, and ABATE looks forward to being a partner in those discussions

INDIAN REVEALS SECOND TATTOO INSPIRED 'ART-BIKE'



nese Oni Demon with a storm of falling cherry blossoms.

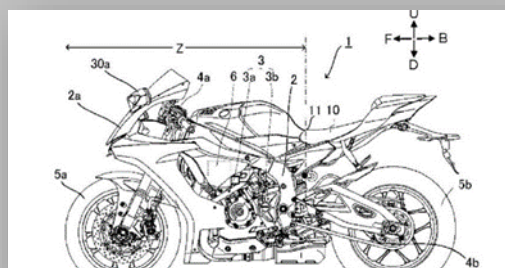
Indian Motorcycle has unveiled the second of three unique tattoo inspired designs, created by three iconic featured tattoo artists – Mayonaize, Shige and Carlos Torres – whose Indian Chief-based works of art will each be revealed in high-resolution computer-generated imagery over the next three months.

Shige practices the art of tattooing from his private studio 'Yellow Blaze' where he has refined his style over the past 24 years, interpreting traditional Japanese-themed body art with his own unique twist.



Shige perfected his highly technical artistic skills in the mid-'90s while working as a motorcycle mechanic by day and tattooing at night, that passion for American motorcycles translated into his choice of design for the Indian Motorcycle Chief.

YAMAHA ADVANCED RIDER AIDS



Yamaha's new rider warning tech is shown on an R1, which already has a limited amount of dash space. (Japanese Patent Office/)

We've already seen the start of a revolution in rider safety with the rapid adoption of cornering ABS and traction control, and 2021 has been the year that radar sensors have joined the barrage of crash-prevention tech. Now Yamaha is looking to the next stage of bike safety and a patent for its rider interface system shows how it might look when you're onboard.

While BMW, Ducati, and KTM have already launched radar-assisted bikes and Kawasaki has confirmed it's also going down the same route in 2022, the two biggest Japanese firms—Honda and Yamaha—have been keeping quiet about their approach to the technology. That doesn't mean they're not joining in though; Honda has filed dozens of patents relating to motorcycle safety systems including radar and vehicle-to-vehicle networks, and Yamaha is similarly laboring behind the scenes on the same tech.

This patent, published in Japan, reveals Yamaha's approach to a very motorcycle-specific issue that the new technology introduces; how to convey all the extra information from the additional sensors and V2V communication to a rider. While modern cars are increasingly moving toward vast touchscreen displays, aided and abetted by audible alerts and head-up displays, bikes just don't have the instrument panel real estate to follow suit. Audible warnings aren't much use either, and dashboards flashing up endless layers of messages are more likely to be a distraction than an aid.

Along with Honda, BMW, and KTM, Yamaha is a core members of the Connected Motorcycle Consortium, which recently established a set of basic specifications for a "Cooperative Intelligent Transport System" (C-ITS) for motorcycles, allowing them to communicate with other vehicles and even with roadside infrastructure in a network that helps warn riders and drivers of risks before they're even visible.

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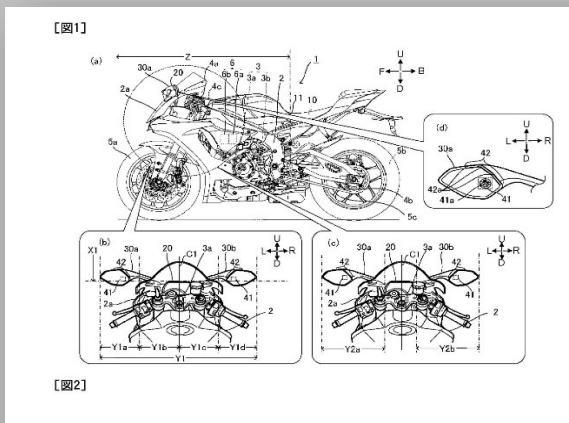
Oil Spots, continued...



warnings about traffic, weather or road hazards, and even to assist with lane merging.

The view from the rider's seat looks much the same as any conventional bike. There's no change to dash, for instance, and no visible extra displays. The only clues that it's not a normal R1 are three slim LED strips mounted on rider-facing edges of the mirrors, above the glass. The patent says these can be lit in a variety of ways—with different numbers of the LEDs lit and different colors used depending on the level of risk and urgency of the warning.

Underneath those LED strips, there's a color display panel built into each mirror, behind the reflective glass. Normally hidden, these displays will illuminate and show an icon to indicate the nature of the alert.



The system also mentions front and rear radars and a vehicle to vehicle comms layer. (Japanese Patent Office/)

Depending on the nature of the alert—lane-change assist systems or an approaching emergency vehicle warning, for instance—just one mirror's lights and icon might be illuminated. Although the patent doesn't go into detail about the systems proving the alerts, it does make specific reference to both front and rear radars—used to reveal when you're approaching a slower vehicle and for blind-spot monitoring—and a vehicle-to-vehicle communication sys-

tem, which appears to be the C-ITS that Yamaha has helped develop.

Just how long will it be before this sort of thing is a production reality? That's a big question. Vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicle-to-infrastructure communication systems have been under development for the best part of two decades but are still limited in their real-world use at the moment and nonexistent on motorcycles. The establishment of a standard for such systems on bikes early this year is a big step toward changing that, but prototypes—Yamaha, BMW, and Honda have all built compatible test beds—still carry two panniers' full of electronics. It might still be several years before showroom models get this sort of tech, but it's definitely on its way.

PER-MILE INSURANCE FOR MOTORCYCLES?



This is huge news for those who may be casual riders, those who own far too many motorcycles, and those of us without a crystal ball who have literally no idea how much we'll end up riding in the coming year.

With a base monthly rate and per-mile cost on top, this could genuinely change the way we think about insuring our vehicles.

Research found that “the risk associated with low-mileage riding can be more than 80% lower than that of high-mileage motorcycling, but traditional insurance policies are annual across the board.” A per-mile policy will enable riders to keep their motorcycles insured for the entire time they are not on the road, keeping insurance costs low for those who may wait for peak conditions to venture out on their beloved.

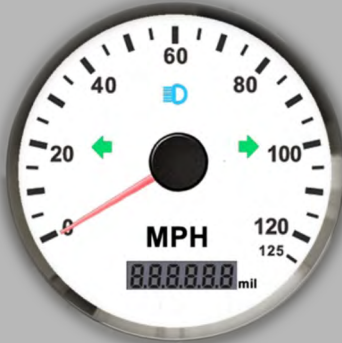
Per-mile insurance introduces the flexibility of being able to pay for the time you ride, rather than a predetermined fee.

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Oil Spots, continued...

There's no black box or app keeping track of mileage and riding habits, instead riders are simply asked to submit a photo of their odometer on starting the policy, and then up to monthly following that.



Prices will naturally vary from rider to rider, based on the standard characteristics including bike make and model, rider history and 'risk profile'

As it stands, the per-mile policies are available in Arizona, Illi-

nois, Indiana, and Ohio.

In the press release, CEO and Co-Founder of VOOM, Tomer Kashi, said: "We are excited to be providing motorcyclists with flexibility through this per-mile motorcycle insurance product," "Enabling cost-effective insurance options for riders and drivers is our top priority."

You pay a basic, low, fixed monthly rate plus per-mile costs. Just like any other insurance, it depends on many factors like age, experience, motorcycle type, requested coverage.

Riders take their first odometer reading at policy inception, but if they forget afterward, there's no harm. They charge a default mileage sum, and when they take a picture later down the road, they will make the adjustment accordingly.

They also have a mileage cap so that we don't charge above that amount.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON LIMITED STREET GLIDE SPECIAL ARCTIC BLAST



Harley-Davidson used the Sturgis rally as the perfect excuse to unveil a limited run of Street Glides with a special paintjob. Known as 'Arctic Blast' the scheme consists of a pearlescent white base with metallic deep blue over the top.



Harley is making just 500 Street Glide Specials in the Arctic Blast paint, each one hand-painted by Gunslinger Custom Paint in Colorado, USA.

"The design looks bold from a distance but offers interesting details that can only be seen up close, including a blue pearl effect over the white base, and a ghosted hexagon pattern on the fairing."

As you might expect a paintjob like this doesn't come cheap, with the paint costing \$9,357.00 taking the price to \$43,063.00.

DEALERSHIP OFFERS MOTORCYCLE YOGA

While it's common that marketing departments will branch out to offer different events in an effort to attract people of varying interests, it's not often you find a Harley-Davidson location offer yoga classes.



But that's exactly what Bulls Falls Harley-Davidson of Rothschild, Wisconsin, did for those interested – inviting "motorcycle yogi" Greg Ormson to teach a class on Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021.

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"While trying to serve our demographic population I recognized that many of us aren't as limber as we were 20 years ago. Throwing your leg over the bike isn't quite as easy," said director of marketing and events Pookie Rosa of the events origins. "This is all about extending our riding life. Our goal is to be able to stay on two wheels for as long as possible.

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Oil Spots, continued...

Doing simple stretches and exercises while on the road can do just that.”

Ormson first walked into the Bulls Falls dealership two years ago and as luck would have it, Rosa had recently read a marketing publication for bikers – one of the activity suggestions highlighted being yoga for bikers. Ormson previously held classes at his local dealership, Superstition Harley-Davidson in Apache Junction, Arizona, and the two quickly agreed it was meant to be.

Admittedly, Rosa said the turnout “wasn’t huge,” but that some of the lack of attendance could be attributed to several large rides also happening in the area the same day. Of the seven people that registered, positive feedback was received, with rider Shawn Buntin saying, “I wish I had done this a lot sooner. More people need to understand how helpful this really is to the rider.”



“I learned that simple stretches genuinely can extend the riding life and time of our riders,” said Rosa. “The misconception of ‘Yoga’ was put to rest – it isn’t just for the slim ladies in yoga pants. Anyone can use their bike and do simple stretches to help aid them with combating common riding aches and pains.”

NOTE: Each morning, on this year’s Sturgis ride, one of our guests who taught Pilates, led the group in a short series of exercises. This helped riders to limber up before the days ride and made the ride physically easier.

H-D1 BECOMES LARGEST ONLINE DESTINATION FOR PRE-OWNED HARLEYS

Since launching in July 2021, **H-D1 Marketplace** has become the go-to online Harley-Davidson marketplace for dealer-based listings, with the largest selection of dealer pre-owned H-D motorcycles in the U.S.



Jochen Zeitz, President and CEO, Harley-Davidson tells us “With H-D1 Marketplace, it was our intention to change the face of the online marketplace for pre-owned Harley-Davidson motorcycles, aligned to our Hardwire priorities. We have seen the power of the H-D Certified program, driving desirability, enhancing the overall customer experience and providing an extra level of confidence for our customers in their purchase.



“We wanted to ensure that our riders have access to the largest selection of the best Harley-Davidson motorcycles, backed by the strength of our dealers – today, we have achieved that initial goal. H-D1 Marketplace will continue to evolve and it’s our ambition that it becomes the ultimate online home for pre-owned Harley-Davidson motorcycles.”

AS OF TODAY, H-D1 MARKETPLACE HAS:

- * ~22,000 pre-owned Harley-Davidson motorcycle listings
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- * 540 participating U.S. Harley-Davidson Dealers

H-D1 Marketplace showcases the entire selection of pre-owned Harley-Davidson motorcycles from the company’s U.S. dealer network, that are available for customers to browse and customize online.



Thanks to...

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 17TH, 2021

Respectfully Submitted
by: Mary Kirkpatrick
For Diana Lanute

President's Section: Gene Rigsby

- 7:00 pm, Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Guests – Introduction of Andy Hazliekawicz, our newest member of Top Cats was made. Most of us know Andy from Rolling Thunder and we were very glad to have him onboard! He and his wife Bozena, rode with us to Sturgis and on the Front Range Ride... or now known as the NO RAIN RIDE!

Announcements

- ♦ 8/16 - Jane Smith
- ♦ 8/24 - Greg Smith
- ♦ 8/28 - Gene and Noelle anniversary

V.P.: Mary Kirkpatrick

Mary stated that the ride over the past two weeks was great and thanked everyone for waiting until tonight to have the general meeting. It was nice to see everyone!

Past President: Wayne Kirkpatrick

Nothing to report tonight.

Safety: Ric Case

RC award program followup

Kaution Korner: Mary Kirkpatrick

(What Do You Know? A Few Facts that May Make a Difference...) See the August ROAR for all of the details and links to safety statistics and sites.

Safety Video: Ric Case

- Can you hear me now? Hearing protection: what you need to know. (start at 1.27)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aBHbtLWFF30>
- This video talks about the kinds of protection that you can use to ensure that you don't lose your hearing due to riding! Foam and molded ear plugs were reviewed. The Fit Life has a set that is recommended. Good information!

Membership: Ted Makarewicz

25th anniversary patches were given to those who haven't received them yet.

Membership drive ideas were requested, and the new application was highlighted!!

Activities: Jim Purcell / Greg Smith

Recent activities

- 8/1 - Sturgis – Bard Boand gave a summary of the ride and the history of the Sturgis Ride. The Barrington Biker Contingency did the first ride and then were drafted into the Top Cats and the ride now has a 28 year history! 3 day and 18 bikes was the initial story. This year there were 15 people and 12 bikes on the ride. The hotels, restaurants and places along the way have become like family. New things added, like Deadwood, have brought some great new additions to the historical ride. Bard highlighted the sites that were seen along with the great people that were in attendance!
- Bard also stated that the club has the best ride in the country out to Sturgis and we need the club to support that ride. Andy Hazlakiewich said that in looking at other rides, they charge twice as much for ½ as much fun!
- 8/10 - Front Range Ride – Wayne Kirkpatrick said that the Front Range Ride had great unity this year! Everyone had a great time and although the riding challenge was difficult at times, the crew was always ready to go and up-beat!

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Future activities

- 9/4 - Sunrise Ride! Gene Rigsby is planning a ride for the club that will take everyone safely to Montrose Harbor and then to breakfast!
- 9/18- PrimeQuarter! Mary Kirkpatrick is organizing the date and will provide information to all when the updates are finalized.
- NEED MORE RIDES!!!!

Products: Ted Makarewicz

The lady working on the order will be getting them out to us soon. Ted will get those details and let us now when it is available. **Get your Gear NOW!**

No 50/50 Raffle tonight

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 by Gene Rigsby, President



**NO BOARD MEETING FOR
AUGUST, 2021**

SO... MORE ROOM FOR STURGIS / FFR PICTURES!



Thanks, Bard
and Wayne! It
was a great trip
with awesome
roads...
As usual!





Blown Tire? What's Next?

Taken from: <https://motorcyclehabit.com/what-to-do-if-a-motorcycle-tire-blows/>



No motorcycle rider ever wants to assume that they're going to encounter a blown tire and hopefully all of you out there never have to experience it. But it's still safe to know exactly what to

in case it does happen because a blown tire can be very dangerous.

A lot of people assume that a blown motorcycle tire is like experiencing a blown tire on a car. The two are very different from each other. A car has four tires, so it has three other wheels to stabilize the vehicle. A motorcycle obviously has two wheels so when one blows, you only have one that stabilizing the vehicle.

When a tire blows on a motorcycle, that means either one of the tires suddenly became flat or the tire literally explodes. **If you find yourself in this situation, the first thing to remember is to not panic and keep calm.** Panicking can lead to sudden movements and swerves that will make your situation worse.

Discontinue using the throttle if your tire blows. If you're going at higher speeds, don't suddenly let off the throttle, rather ease off of it quickly. Continuing to use the throttle will risk whatever is remaining on the tire to slip off the rim which makes it extremely hard to control.

Once you let off the throttle, determine which tire has blown. It's usually pretty obvious, but if one of them suddenly becomes flat it could be harder to tell. **Once you know which tire is the problem, use the brake for the opposite tire.** For example, if the back tire blows, quickly ease in to using the front brake. Never suddenly pull on the brake as that can make your situation worse. A blown tire will slow you down anyway.

Also, it's not a good idea to use the brake on the wheel with the blown tire. This again will risk what's remaining of the tire to slip off the rim which causes complete rim to concrete contact; that is extremely hard to control.

Maintain riding in as straight of a line as possible. If the situation allows, don't make any turns. Drive straight towards an area where you can safely pull over and stop.

Though either tire blown is a scary situation, having a blown front tire is harder to manage than a blown back tire because the front tire is what you use to steer. Use the above procedure to help you pull over safely for either blown tire, just know the front tire is more delicate and will require more concentration... And there is no way to practice, so practice by going through the mental process of NOT braking!

August Birthdays and Anniversaries!



11—Mary Kirkpatrick

Happy Days to our Top Cats Celebrities for

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August's Love Story...

4 - Wayne and Mary Kirkpatrick



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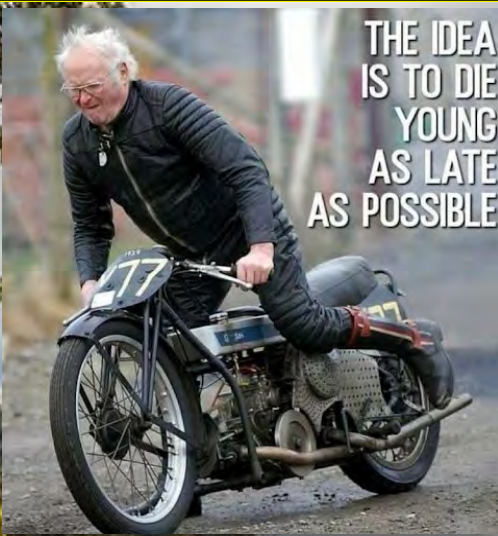


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things during COVID...





RIDES & EVENTS

Date	Ride/Event	Location	Destination	Time	Leader
Saturday, September 4th	Sunrise Ride	BP Libertyville	Montrose Harbor, Chicago	4:30 AM	Rigsby
Tuesday, September 7th	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:00pm	Rigsby
Tuesday, September 14th	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:00 pm	Rigsby
Tuesday, October 5th	General Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:00 pm	Rigsby
Tuesday, October 12th	Board Meeting	Palatine	Alley 64	7:00 pm	Rigsby
Too Many	Empty Spaces!		Lets Get	Them Filled In!	
	Get your ideas	on the Calendar!	The riding Season	is going fast!	
		Plan Now!			

All ride and event information along with the Photo Gallery can be found at www.TopCats.org.



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