



The Shadow Writer

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Official Newsletter of the
Shadow Riders Club of St. Louis
www.shadowriders-stl.com

A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! I have high hopes for our club this year in terms of membership and member participation.

We have started to see changes coming as we now have two of our newer members volunteering to be part of our governing Board. This is the type of activity that will ensure the longevity of our organization as a whole. I sincerely would like to thank Scott Lenahan and Jim Craig for stepping up and displaying a willingness to attempt to bring about positive changes for our operations by being a part of the process. This along with all the work they have put into organizing new ride starting points, and the “re-construction” of some of our old routes, as well as the introduction of many new routes made possible by the proposed new starting points. I would also like to thank our Safety Officer, Flash Stiebel, and Dave Kelewea for all the hard work they have put into the organization of the new “Ride Committee” and the work they have done on the new ride calendar/starting points. It’s this kind of participation I have been eluding to for the past several years. We are attempting to embrace technology and ride the wave that can’t be stopped, instead of eating it’s dust and being left sitting by the side of the road. Hopefully other riders in the Metro area will see what the Club is doing and they will be attracted to what they see. We won’t know until we try.

I’m not trying to re-design the Club . . . I just don’t want to see it fade due to the lack of willingness to move forward. Let’s embrace these changes and do what we can to give the new system a chance. “Can’t” never did anything. The only thing that remains the same is change. The Club means a great deal to Andrea and I and we want to see it flourish and prosper in the coming years. We want to see the smiles on Sunday mornings that we’ve looked forward to for the last 10 years. We want to see our extended family grow as we meet new people and hopefully new members. As many of our older members move on to other interests in their lives we mourn their absence but we look back with fondness on the moments that they’ve allowed us to shared with them. We hope they know that they are never forgotten. The Shadow Riders isn’t just a club . . . It’s a lifestyle.

John Geiler
President

Club Meeting (General Membership)

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month

The Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge (West of St. Charles
Rock Road, North of I-270)

Next Meeting: January 28, 2020

Board meeting 30 minutes before regular meeting.

Sunday Gatherings

Sundays at 9:00 AM. We will alternate between Fuzzy’s Taco in Old Orchard shopping center and the Golden Corral at 6110 S. Lindbergh. To keep our calendars updated: the January gatherings will start at Golden Corral on 1/5/2020.

December 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes

President John Geiler opened the meeting at 7:03PM.

A lengthy discussion immediately ensued regarding the proposed alterations to our Sunday rides. Numerous points and counterpoints were discussed with these being a small sampling:

- We should have 2 rally points instead of 4 to avoid confusion
- What we're currently doing clearly isn't working
- Keep the current rally point but since Manchester Rd. is so busy quickly get off onto the side roads
- The problem is we need ride organizers . . . only 9 unique people led rides this year.
- The Ride Committee will be responsible for making sure there is a ride each week.
- People will just come out for the Sunday rides when the week's rally point is near their home.
- We won't know until we try, the new ideas may fail or need to be modified throughout the season.

Dave Kelewea said Jim Stiebel, Scott, and he were already doing test rides and had done 3 in the past week.

Membership Jim Gianella reported we have no new members this month, total membership stands at 88.

Tony Weaver reported the club brought in \$134 over the past month and spent \$10.78 for newsletter expenses.

A motion was made seconded and approved for Tony to write a check for \$318.20 to Hartbauer McBride for the dispersal of charity funds in our account.

Jim Craig will be running for Club Secretary and Scott Lenahan will be running for Vice President in the upcoming January election of officers.

Hartbauer McBride liaison Ted Koski informed us of a trivia night being held Feb. 1st at the Moose Lodge. <http://hartbauermcbride.com/>

Cliff reported the 2020 Ride for Wishes will be the 2nd weekend in October.

Ira let us know that Robin Schoenbeck won 1st place at the Big St. Charles Chili Cook-Off. She received a prize of \$90 and donated it to our club.

Dennis Meade will be the instructor of a Motorcycle Safety Foundation -Basic Rider 2 course Saturday May 9 at Forest Park Community College.

Dennis will be leading a 12 day trip to Sturgis and Yellow Stone starting August 5.

Karen & Eric Johnston are planning the Holiday Party. It will be Saturday Jan. 11 at Sybergs in Maryland Heights. They need RSVPs to the Holiday Party by Dec. 30.

Dave Kelewea and Diana Johnson passed around a prototype road captain vest they had created and ask we consider purchasing several more and making them available every Sunday to road captains. It was a chartreuse jersey with Shadow Riders patches sewn on and very large so it could be worn over the top of people's motorcycle jackets.

Ira announced he'll be leading his annual trip to Branson the weekend after Memorial Day.

Diana brought up and John confirmed that this is the time of year, shortly prior to our budget being proposed and agreed upon, that people are welcome to nominate charities they'd like the club to sponsor in the coming year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.

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December Membership

Main Members	71
Significant Others	15
Juniors	2
Total	88

February Birthdays

- 04 - SALLY WEAVER
- 06 - LAURA BERGSIEKER
- 09 - JIM WADUM
- 17 - NITA FISHER
- 20 - VINCENT DUNLAP
- 26 - CLIFF CONNOYER

No January Anniversaries



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Bike Count for December

Honda -21 Harley -22 Kawasaki -15 Suzuki - 3 BMW - 5 Yamaha -6 KTM - 3 Enfield - 1 Vento -1 Big Dog - 1 CanAm -1 Triumph - 1 Ducati - 1 Victory - 5 Polaris - 1 Indian -1 Ural - 2

Shadow Riders,

The people who have stepped up to be considered for Board membership for the calendar year 2020 are:

John Geiler - President
Scott Lenahan - Vice President
Tony Weaver - Treasurer
Jim "Flash" Stiebel - Safety Officer
Jim Craig - Recording Secretary

I personally want to thank Scott and Jim for accepting the nominations for the Board for this new year. We will vote in an attempt to officiate the new Board at the January meeting on January 28, 2020. Since we've had no suggestions for any new charities to be considered there will be no vote for Club charities. I hope to see you there.

Safe travels!!
John Geiler

Shadow Riders Merchandise

Short Sleeve Shirt (Safety Yellow)

M, L or XL - \$14.00
XXL - \$15.00
XXXL - \$17.00

Long Sleeve Shirt (Ash Grey)

M, L or XL - \$17.00
XXL - \$18.00
XXXL - \$20.00

Hats

Black - \$11.00
Khaki - \$11.00

Patches

Large - \$31.00
Small - \$12.00

Rockers (2-styles) - \$10.00 (Currently free if you own a Large Patch or purchase a new Large Patch!)

4x4 Window Clings - \$3.00 ea.

No new members for December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan. 5 Breakfast at Golden Corral	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	Jan. 8	Jan. 9	Jan. 10	Jan. 11 <i>Holiday Party</i>
Jan. 12 Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 15	Jan. 16	Jan. 17	Jan. 18
Jan. 19 Breakfast at Golden Corral	Jan. 20 Martin Luther King Day	Jan. 21	Jan. 22	Jan. 23	Jan. 24	Jan. 25
Jan. 26 Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	Jan. 27	Jan. 28 Monthly Meeting Sports Cafe	Jan. 29	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1
Feb. 2 Breakfast at Golden Corral	Feb. 3	Feb. 4	Feb. 5	Feb. 6	Feb. 7	Feb. 8

In Lieu of Rides and Events



fuzzygalore.com - girlie motorcycle blog

PMS - The Silent Killer.
 Parked Motorcycle Syndrome symptoms include pacing back and forth in the garage, irritability, headache and nausea. If you or a loved one is suffering from any of these symptoms, get out for a ride. Prolonged exposure to a parked motorcycle can drive you completely insane.

Members' classified ads are free! Send to John Geiler at editor@shadowriders-stl.com or (314)-401-3485

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Andrea is selling "Silverhawk". She is a 2007 Victory Kingpin with 50K miles. AM/FM stereo with a USB port for your own music. Many Arlen Ness accessories. Ignition is tuned to the sporty exhaust and air cleaner. LED's with multi-function remote control. Andrea is asking \$4500. 314-401-3628.



Two pair of fringed chaps. Both seldom worn and in excellent condition. One is size XXI, and the other is 3XL (both adjustable) One is a 25 inseam and the other is 30 inseam. One has zipper down the sides and the other is all snaps so both can be trimmed shorter. I have a picture.

Peggy Phillips

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