



# The Shadow Writer

## June, 2020

Official Newsletter of the  
Shadow Riders Club of St. Louis  
[www.shadowriders-stl.com](http://www.shadowriders-stl.com)

### A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

It's good to see our Sunday turnouts beginning to swell. It's great to see some faces we haven't seen in a while and some new faces. The new starting locations have also given us some new roads to ride that weren't practical when we were leaving from Manchester and 141. Thanks again to the hard work of the Ride Committee and the volunteers who have been putting together the rides for us to enjoy.

Sunday was a perfect day and we ended up with 3 or 4 groups to ride the route to New Melle. I'm looking forward to seeing what kind of turnout we have for Sullivan this weekend. Make our visitors and new members feel welcome and only time will make them feel like part of our family. Check the tread on those tires and the pressures and let's get out there and ride.

I wanted to say congratulations to Mario and Ellie on their recent marriage at Klondike Park last weekend. May their happiness continue for long and long. It's always great to see people unite who make each other so happy. Two great people; one great couple.

If you haven't taken advantage of any of the Club trips there are some great short and long trips coming up this Summer. Check out the website for details or page 4 for a synopsis. Maybe we won't be dogged by all the showers that we had in 2019. With the Country coming back out of their caves it's going to be a year of discovering what the new "norm" is going to be. Let's make the most of it.

I keep listing the date and location of the next monthly meeting but we've had to make use of Zoom for the last two meetings due to the situation we're dealing with. I'll get word out the weekend before the June meeting to let everyone know if we'll be able to meet at the Sports Café again.

John Geiler  
President

#### **Club Meeting (General Membership)**

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month  
The Sports Café, 3579 Penridge (West of St. Charles  
Rock Road, North of I-270)

**Next Meeting: June 23, 2020**

Board meeting 30 minutes before regular meeting.

#### **Sunday Rides**

If you've opted to receive the texts for information on our meeting spots and destinations then you will receive your information before the scheduled ride. If you'd rather not receive the messages then just check the calendar on the website for all the information and route sheets.

**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 26, 2020**  
**Zoom Video Meeting**

**General Discussion:** Hopefully the June meeting will be in person. Need to check with the Sports Café to see if the room will be open. Sunday's ride was well attended. It was a good route and Hermann was a nice area.

**Road Trips:** Yellow Stone/Sturgis: Departs the 5th of August returning the 19th. Folks can join for only part of the ride. They still have reservations for Aug 7, 8, 9 for Sturgis. They depart on the 9th for Yellow Stone. Let Dennis know if you're interested.

Update: Sturgis is deciding in early June whether or not the rally will occur. Yellowstone is open. Trip is still on, will make a final decision in June.

Andrea is setting up a trip to Arkansas June 18-21st. Rooms are reserved for \$65/night. If anyone is interested, they should let Andrea know. Andrea is also planning a trip Aug 22-30th to North Carolina and Tennessee.

**Bikers Blues & BBQ:** We will probably stay at the Best Western in Eureka Springs. Reservations are now available. Some folks stayed at the Kettle Campground last year, they have cabins, tent camping, hookups for RVs. No update. If you would like a trip that you're making shared with the club, send it to John and he will let the Club know.

**Treasurer:** We took in \$48 in memberships since the last meeting. We put \$50 funds in the text message coffer. We have \$50 in our account committed to our Club charity: Hartbauer McBride.

**Vice President:** June is totally booked. End of June is our last scheduled. For July: John will take the 12th, Jim Craig the 19th, Flash the 26th, still need someone for the 5th of July.

**Website:** The WordPress logo is showing up in the browser tab. This was probably caused by a WordPress update. We'll check on it. There were some updates to the theme. Ted is trying to make some adjustments to make it look nicer.

Sign up for TEXT MESSAGING notifications of the rides. Text SHADOW to 84483 to sign up.

**Membership:** Current 2020 paid membership as of tonight 69. +2 since the last meeting.

**Safety Officer:** Working on some riding tips.

**Hartbauer McBride:** Poker Run Aug 16th

**Make a Wish 2020:** Ride for Wishes: October 10th and 11th. Still on (for now) Helmet day may be rescheduled for later on this summer. Permits are unavailable right now.

**Club Picnic:** Will be August 30th. Pavilion is reserved at Love Park.

**Motorcycle Training** Check the St Louis Community College web site for training sessions and dates – classes currently closed. The only site doing training right now is Big St. Charles Motorsports.

Dennis is working on setting up BRC courses for club members.

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**May Membership**

<b>Main Members</b>	61
<b>Significant Others</b>	9
<b>Juniors</b>	0
<b>Total</b>	70

**July Birthdays**

09 - IRA STEUER  
11 - JIM LENAHAN  
13 - CINDY GEBEL  
18 - DENNIS MEADE  
25 - JUSTIN GORDON

**June Anniversaries**

5 Years — Tery and Kathy Schmidt

Shadow Riders,

Now that we've started to open things up we're still experiencing some reluctance, and that's totally understandable. As in the case of some of us more "mature" people we feel a little apprehensive still but we're making an attempt to create our own comfortable zone. Some folks still like to bring their lunch on Sunday and that's okay. I apologize for only having chairs outside on Sunday at Maraca's but we made the best of it. I'm sure the trips will have some modifications too, and that's expected. Things are going to feel weird for quite a while now as we see what happens with the numbers now that the Country has begun to open it's doors. I know the riots may provide some increase in the numbers, and that's unfortunate for several reasons. Just like when we're riding with the group: you just gotta ride your own ride.

Hopefully we can find a vaccine soon so we can stop walking around like we're in a really bad horror movie. I respect everyone's opinion on what's been happening. We just have to do what Shadow Riders do best: look out for each other and make the best of every situation.

As you can see by the meeting minutes we can still use some volunteers to plan, or sponsor, a ride on some Sunday. We haven't had any rides start out of the Southeast part of the Metro area. It would be nice to have at least a couple to be able to move around to different areas. Now that we have the flexibility let's take advantage of it. We haven't been across the river in the Columbia area for a while and there are lots of great roads in Northern Jefferson County. Share some of the roads that you like to ride with you fellow Club members. New is good!

I hope to see more of you out there riding soon. That's what we got those motorcycles for. Let's use 'em!

I'm just sayin' . . . . .

Johnny G

**Bike Count for February**

Honda - 20 Harley - 20 Kawasaki - 9 Suzuki - 3 BMW - 9 Yamaha - 5 KTM - 1 Enfield - 1  
Vento - 1 Big Dog - 0 CanAm - 1 Triumph - 1 Ducati - 0 Victory - 5 Polaris - 1 Indian - 1 Ural - 1

June 11-14: Ira and Bob are planning a trip to Branson. They've had some great experiences in the past. Contact Ira for more details.

June 18-21: Andrea has planned a trip to Northern Arkansas for a 4-day stay and a 2-day ride on some of the best motorcycle roads Arkansas has to offer in the area of Mountain View.

Aug. 5-19 or 20 Dennis Meade is planning a trip to Sturgis, Yellowstone and points West. Follow Dennis' emails for details to come. He already has lodging planned so make you reservations early.

Aug. 22-30: Andrea is putting together a week-long trip to the Southeast. North Caroline; Tennessee; and other surrounding states to ride some great roads and do some sight-seeing. Details to come.

Sept. 20 - 28 Tony is going to Arkansas to ride the great roads in North-central and Northwest Arkansas. The group that goes on this trip then has the option to join up with the group that will be going to the Rally at the end of the week.

Bikes, Blues, and Bar-B-Que Sept. 25-28 Eureka Springs, Ar  
John Geiler 314-401-3485

At the same time a the trip to BBBBQ Dave Kelewae and Jim Wadum usually plan a Camping-on-the-cheap trip for those who like to camp instead of staying at a hotel. The campgrounds that they have been staying at are very nice.

## 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!)

4×4 Window Clings - \$3.00 ea.

### New member for May

Arthur Toney rides a brown 2018 BMW K1600 and a black 2018 BMW C650GT

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June 7 <i>Picnic at Meramec State Park Sullivan, MO</i>	June 8	June 9	June 10	June 11 <i>Ira leaves for Branson</i>	June 12	June 13
June 14 <i>Mel's Riverdock Hardin, IL</i>	June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18 <i>Club leaves for Arkansas</i>	June 19	June 20
June 21 <i>Calvin's Restaurant Eolia, MO</i>	June 22	June 23 <i>Monthly Meeting Sports Café or Zoom</i>	June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27
June 28 <i>El Nopal Sullivan, MO</i>	June 29	June 30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4
July 5 <i>Open Ride</i>	July 6	July 7	July 8	July 9		
					July 10	July 11

**Rides and Events**

June 7: Our very own VP Scott Lenahan will be taking for a ride to beautiful Meramec State Park for a picnic lunch. Pack a lunch and join us for a day-in-the-park. Great roads and scenery in this part of the country.

June 14: Dave Kelewae is taking us back to Mel's Riverdock Restaurant for some great food and even greater deserts. Mel had to rebuild after the flooding so let's go show our support for his efforts. A beautiful ride along the Great River Road and some awesome scenery. Always a good time and several good routes back.

June 21: Eric and Karen Johnston are leading this ride to Calvin's Restaurant in Eolia, MO. The best restaurant this side of Bowling Green, MO. Very nice country and a 4-star eating establishment. Looking forward to eating here again.

June 28: Erin O'Donnell is taking us on her favorite ride on some of our favorite roads. It's the famed Highway 185 route to El Nopal in Sullivan, MO. A great route and good roads. Always a good time on this ride. Big sweepers and great pavement. Time to get your lean on.

July 5 is an open ride for anyone who isn't leaving town for the 4th. Get in touch with one of the Board members or the Ride Committee to let them know you can lead a ride somewhere.



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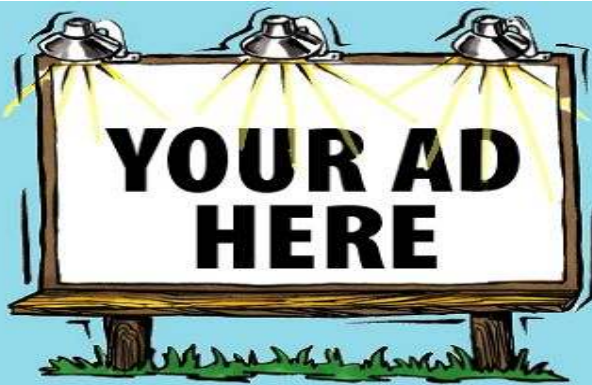
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Two pair of fringed chaps. Both seldom worn and in excellent condition. One is size XXI, and the other is 3XL (both adjustable) One is a 25 inseam and the other is 30 inseam. One has zipper down the sides and the other is all snaps so both can be trimmed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

Peggy Phillips

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